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FROM 'UNDERGROUND' TO 'GOOD EARTH' AT LAST

Mrs. Asaf Ali To Appear On Calcutta Platform

3 1/2 Years On The Wanted List; Story Of Amazing Exploits And Hair-Breath Escapes

LAHORE, Jan. 27. (U.P.I.): An interesting story about Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali has been published by the "Vir Bharat", a local Urdu daily, from its staff reporter. It says that about ten days back when Burhannuddin's case was continuing in the Lahore High Court Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali was in Lahore, and after staying for a few days, she left for Peshawar. On January 16, she left for Calcutta.

The paper adds that during the Simla Conference, the All-India Congress Committee meeting at Bombay and the Congress Working Committee meeting at Calcutta, she visited Simla, Bombay and Calcutta, respectively, and met her husband. All this time, the police and C.I.D. fruitlessly attempted to arrest her. During the Bombay session of the A.I.C.C. the police got a hint of her presence, but failed to arrest her. Earlier, she escaped another attempt to arrest her at Calcutta when she was there with Mr. Jai Prakash Narain.

MRS. ASAF ALI TO ADDRESS MEETING IN CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali will address a public meeting in Calcutta on Wednesday January 30, on the Bombay firing and the present political situation.

This announcement has been made today by the Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee.

Mr. M. R. Surendra Mohan Ghosh, president of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee in a statement, accords a hearty welcome to Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali on the occasion of her coming visit to Calcutta after a period of over three and half years of underground life. Mr. Ghosh says:

"The Bengal Provincial Congress Commitee rejoices at the news of the cancellation of the warrant of arrest against Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali and accords a hearty welcome to her on the occasion of her coming visit to Calcutta. The people of Bengal gratefully appreciate the services rendered by her to the cause of Indian Freedom.

BRITONS MAY DWINDLE TO 14 MILLIONS BY 2045!

LONDON, (I.P.S.): Britain's birth rate after wartime upward trend is down again. Unless the long-term downward trend is reversed, the 46,000,000 Britons may dwindle to 14,000,000 by the year 2045, say the population experts.

MR. AVERELL HARRIMAN

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): Mr. Averell Harriman, U. S. Ambassador in Moscow, and party left Delhi for Chungking early this morning.

SURAT, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): The primary teachers of Surat are observing an "Injustice Day" today. It will be recalled that the teachers had given notice to the Municipal authorities that if no favourable reply was received by February 9 they would resort to strike on February 11.

G. MOHAMMAD WINS U.P.L.T. CHAMPIONSHIP

LUCKNOW, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): Ghaus Mohammad, India's No. 1, won the U. P. Lawn Tennis Championship at the Oudh Gymkhana Club, this afternoon, defeating Sumat Misra by three sets to one.

Prof. V. G. Kale Dead

Veteran Economist And Former Member Of Council Of State

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, Jan. 27: Prof. Waman Govind Kale, veteran economist, died in Poona this morning. He was 71 years of age. He was conscious to the last moment and looked after his routine business and dictated an article on demonetization Ordinance last evening. "I had my innings played", was his exclamation only this morning. Reader to Justice M. G. Ranade, Presidency cricket player, Professor in Deccan Education Society, Author of various books on economics and regular contributor to several journals, former member of the Council of State and once member of the Indian Tarrif Board, Prof. Kale was a leading figure in Maharashtra and took keen interest in the industrial development of the province.

Mr. Kale was connected with several committees of the Bombay Government such as the Banking Inquiry Committee, Rural Development Committee, and Food Advisory Committee. He was general adviser on financial and economic affairs to the Gwalior Goxernment. He was also member of the Bombay Provincial Co-operative Bank and the Poona Co-operative Bank.

NOTICE SERVED ON POTHAN JOSEPH

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 26.

Government of India's Chief Information Officer Mr. Pothan Joseph is shortly leaving his employment.

The reasons for this sudden breakup of his five years engagement is not yet fully known, but it gathered that Mr. Pothan Joseph was served, with three months' notice this week terminating his contract. The news has come with some surprise as Mr. Pothan Joseph gave up the editorship of the 'Dawn' at the special request of Sir Sultan Ahmed, then Information Member.

He is expected to return to journalism.

Mrs. Pandit To Arrive To-day

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.)—Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit is arriving at Karachi on Monday evening, according to a cable received by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru this morning.

Russa Mehta Standing For Council Of State

Mr. Russa Mehta is standing as a candidate for the forthcoming Election to the Council of State.

ZUNDA UNCHA RAHE HAMARA!

Veer Waman Rao Joshi is seen hoisting the tricolour at Congress House, on Independence Day.

No Self-Respect For India Without Rashtrabhasha

Mahatma Reiterates Importance Of Hindustani As 'Lingua Franca'

MADRAS, Jan. 27. (A.P.I.): Presiding over the Convocation of the Hindi Prachar Sabha, this afternoon, Mahatma Gandhi compared Hindusthani to a stomach which is so big that it can take in both Hindi and Urdu into it. He said that those who were taking the diplomas should know that they should use Hindustani which is written in both Urdu and Nagari scripts.

Mahatma Gandhi administered the oath to the successful candidates and said: "If you don't keep the pledge which you have taken, it will mean you have deceived me and this great meeting and Bharat Mata."

IMPORTANCE OF RASHTRA-BHASHA

Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, delivering the Convocation address, made a special appeal to the women of South India to help in spreading Hindustani in this part of the country. She said that English could never become the 'lingua franca' of India. Even now some people seemed to take pride in carrying on their correspondence in English. Only a language which everybody could understand could be the 'lingua franca' of a country. Without Hindustani as the Rashtrabhasha, civilisation and self-respect could not be maintained. Only lack of patriotism could be responsible for unwillingness to learn Hindustani.

Two hundred and fourteen candidates received their diplomas from Mahatma Gandhi, there were 55 women among them.

There were two or three Muslims among the candidates who received diplomas and there was loud cheering when the diplomas were presented to them. Mahatma Gandhi spoke for 15 minutes.

TWO LAKHS OF PEOPLE AT PRAYER MEETING

The crowds at Mahatma Gandhi's prayer meetings which had been swelling day by day reached a peak figure of about two lakhs today.

At this evening's prayer meeting Mahatma Gandhi made a reference to the story of Draupadi which was the subject of a song sung at the meeting by Shrimati Saraswathi, an inmate of Gandhiji's Ashram.

RELY ON GOD WHOLLY

Gandhiji said that Draupadi found herself in a helpless position She could not do anything. The Pandavas could not help her. She had to pray to Iswara, that is Lord Krishna. Draupadi prayed to God that no-one should be able to violate her modesty. In other words, she should be in a position in which she could not be humiliated. This, Mahatma Gandhi said, was what we should also try to achieve. Our country should be in a position in which it cannot be humiliated. For this end we should only rely upon God wholly.

MAHATMA MEANS BUSINESS

Mahatma Gandhi declined to bless the foundation-stone for a new building to be constructed for the Kasturba Free Reading Room and Library of the Andhra Young Men's Association, Madras, as the inscription on the stone was written in English.

A fresh stone was thereupon prepared with the inscription in Telugu, the mother-tongue of the people in that area, and Gandhiji blessed the stone and wished the institution all success.

MAHATMA'S TOUR IN SOUTH

Mahatma Gandhi leaves Madras for Madura on the morning of February 2 by a special train, it is now officially announced. He will proceed to Palani, another famous pilgrim centre in South India, the next day, and return to Madras on the evening of February 4th.

Gandhiji has expressed himself strongly against holding any public ceremonial receptions or welcome demonstrations either at Madura or Palani, or any of the other centres where the special would halt.

ASHRAM FOR MAHATMA ON GODAVARI BANKS?

Mr. T. Prakasam, President, and Mr. Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary, Andhra Provincial Congress Committee, and a party of Andhras met Mahatma Gandhi last night, and had 30-minute discussion with him on the constructive programme of the Congress with special reference to conditions prevailing in Andhra Desa.

Mr. Prakasam invited Gandhiji to spend at least two months every year in Andhra Desa. He mentioned that there were a number of nature-cure clinics, and that Andhras would gladly build for him an Ashram on the banks of the Godavari or Kistna river.

Gandhiji thanked Mr. Prakasam for his invitation, but regretted that this was not possible now.

Subbalakshmi Sings For Mahatma

MADRAS, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.): Shrimati Subbalakshmi, the famous exponent of Carnatic music who gave several free performances in aid of the Kasturba Trust Fund, met Gandhiji last evening. She was introduced to Gandhiji by Mr. C. Rajagopalachari.

At Gandhi's request, Shrimati Subbalakshmi sang a few Bhajan songs. Gandhiji expressed his great appreciation of the talents of Smt. Subbalakshmi.

CITY LIFE RETURNS TO NORMAL

EVERYTHING QUIET ON ALL FRONTS

After four days' orgy of violence culminating into so much loss of life and damage to property the city has now returned to normal again. For the whole of Sunday the disturbed areas were completely quiet, and barring a few cases of stray stone-throwing, nothing serious was reported from any quarters.

A tour round the affected localities revealed the existence of all signs of normal activities having been restored. The streets were all quiet, children romped about freely, and men and women went round their work without any fuss or fear.

The streets in the affected areas were all clear, and boulders and other obstructions put on the tram-tracks on Girgaum and Kalbadevi lines were removed.

However, the bus and tram traffic on the Girgaum line still remained suspended, and many were the complaints regarding the inconvenience caused to the travelling public. In the absence of these cheap public conveyances the taxi-drivers and victoria-wallas reaped a rich harvest There is everywhere a desire for the relaxation of the Curfew Order.

There was no addition today in yesterday's list of casualties of 23 dead and about 520 wounded.

"Rescind Warrants Against Absconders"

Deshmukh Tables Resolution In Assembly

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 26.

Dr. G. V. Deshmukh has given notice of a resolution for discussion in the Assembly, urging Government of India to cancel the warrants of all absconders connected with 1942 movement.

AKBAR HYDARI BAGS PLANNING PORTFOLIO

Sequel To Election Of Mudaliar As Chairman U.N.O. Economic Council

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): A communique says: "It was announced on the 10th January that Sir Ardeshir Dalal on his resignation would hand over the portfolio of Planning and Development to Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar. Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar has, however, been elected Chairman of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations Organization and will therefore not be available, for the present at any rate. The Governor-General has therefore asked Sir Akbar Hydari to take over the portfolio of Planning and Development from Sir Ardeshir Dalal and to hold it temporarily in addition to the portfolio of Information and Broadcasting which he holds at present. Sir Akbar Hydari has agreed. Mr. Waugh will continue to hold the supply portfolio."

Sir Chandulal Trivedi

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27: Sir Chandulal Trivedi, Governor-Designate of Orissa, handed over War Secretaryship to his successor Dundus. He will stay in Delhi for another three weeks. Dundus is expected to be nominated to the Assembly by the middle of February.

AZAD FOR KARACHI

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, has provisionally arranged to leave for Karachi on January 31.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel will be leaving for Bombay tomorrow and Mrs. Sarojini Naidu for Hyderabad on January 29.

Gandhiji Speaks Tamil

MADRAS, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—Mahatma Gandhi spoke one or two words of Tamil today at the Constructive Workers' Conference.

Gandhiji began to speak in Hindustani and asked in Hindustani whether everybody was able to follow the language. Immediately he added in Tamil "Terriyyma?" (Do you know?) He laughed at his own Tamil and the gathering roared with laughter. One worker asked the Mahatma a question in Tamil. The question was a lengthy one and when he had spoken three sentences, and was about to start the fourth sentence, Mahatma Gandhi remarked: "Koncham, Koncham, Koncham." (meaning please speak a little at a time).

GANDHIJI TO CUT SHORT PROGRAMME

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Jan 26 (A.P.I.)—Mr. Pyarelal, Secretary of Mahatma Gandhi has, in a letter sent to Swami Ramanand Teerth of Hyderabad in reply to his request to Gandhiji to visit Hyderabad on his way to Wardha, has expressed Gandhiji's inability to do so in view of "Gandhiji's physical condition not being fit enough to undertake additional strain." The letter further says that Gandhiji is cutting short his programme already fixed.

What Wavell May Say To-day

One Constitution-making Body Or Two?

Reiteration Of His Second Plan & Reference To Food Situation?

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Reference to the food situation and reiteration of his second plan are expected to be the main features of Lord Wavell's first address to the newly constituted Central Assembly to-morrow.

RECONSTITUTION OF COUNCIL

Political 'pandits' are confident that the Viceroy will make some positive statement about reconstitution of his Council. This is evident from the fact that places of resignees on his Council—Sir Feroz Khan Noon, Sir Sultan Ahmad and Sir Ardeshir Dalal have been filled on a temporary basis and by servicemen drawn from ranks of Secretaries.

It has been Lord Wavell's intention to reconstitute his Council from political leaders drawn from major political parties. His first attempt to secure this end failed at Simla last July. His second plan has been formulated with the same object.

At one time it was thought Lord Wavell would fix a date for termination of the tenure of present members of the Council. But this course is not regarded feasible in view of the uncertain attitude of political parties.

OTHER PLANKS

The constitution-making Body is the other plank in the Wavell plan and the Viceroy is expected to clear the position whether there will be one of two bodies as demanded by the Muslim League.

As the British Government so far stands committed to the Cripps proposals the only alternative is one Constitution-making Body.

The Wavell plan, however, envisages a conference of Provincial leaders to determine the whole question.

"Come to my parlour and work out the scheme yourself", will, therefore, be the strain of Lord Wavell's brief speech to-morrow.

INDIA GOVT. CUTS NEW GROUND IN FOOD POLICY

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

The Government's Food and Agriculture policy published earlier in the week cuts completely new ground. The Government of India for the first time have declared that it will feed every man, woman and child. Equitable distribution of food and foodgrains is a natural corollary to this undertaking. It also means that those who cannot afford to buy a balanced diet, shall receive subsidy to do so. Thirdly in order to meet it's obligation the Government shall have to maintain stocks of food, and prevent its loss. For this purpose the Government of India have already built large store houses in Karachi and other places. Lastly the policy does not aim at self sufficiency in food and foodgrains and the Government proposes to import rice and other eatables from outside in exchange for manufactured goods.

In other words policy is aimed at securing a balanced economy for India.

WAVELL'S 'NO' TO AZAD

LUCKNOW, Jan. 27. (U.P.I.) The United Press of India understands that Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, had during the last few weeks correspondence with Lord Wavell regarding the cases of long-term convicts of the August disturbances.

It transpires that Government are not agreeable to make any special review of these cases.

ARMY REORGANISATION

Committee's Report Being Considered By C.-in-C.

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27: Army Reorganisation Committee has made its report, which is now under consideration of the Commander-in-Chief Sir Claude Auchinleck. The Committee was set up by the Commander-in-Chief to determine the strength of the composition of the Indian Army in the post-war period. The report is not expected to be published; but the Commander-in-Chief, probably during the current session of the legislature, will announce the Government of India's decision on the subject

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'Tis Hard To Get Swaraj Without Hindusthani

MADRAS, Jan. 26. (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi to-day addressed the Hindusthani Pracharaks Conference for 30 minutes and the Constructive Workers Conference for 50 minutes.

Speaking to the Hindusthani Pracharaks Conference, Gandhiji said that he was pleased with the number of people who learnt Hindusthani year by year but he thought there were not enough Pracharaks to do Hindusthani work.

"The Congress is working for the complete independence of India which I had said was Ram Raj or Ishwar Raj or Khuda-i-Raj. Without people learning Hindusthani it is difficult to get independence" Mahatma Gandhi declared.

"At the Constructive Workers' Conference, Gandhiji replied to a number of questions. One worker asked him": 'The Harijan Sewak Sangh has done much work for the Harijans. How is it that the hatred of the Harijans for the Hindus has increased more and more?'

Gandhiji replied that apparently the hatred referred to in the question had increased. But in fact this hatred was always there because they had received bad treatment. He added "this is only a sign that the Harijans had awakened.

BR. ENCOURAGING HARIJANS TO HATE HINDUS.

The British Government had, moreover, their own ways of carrying on the Government of the country. They gave titles of Rao Bahadurs, Raja Bahadurs, etc., to the Harijans. They made them Sirs and they may even make them Lords. They have appointed them as judges and magistrates and encouraged them in their hatred."

ANDHRA HARIJAN DEPUTATION WAITS ON GANDHIJI.

Mahatma Gandhi received a Harijan deputation from Andhra consisting of 12 members including Mr. B. S. Moorthy, former Parliamentary Secretary, this morning.

The deputationists explained to Gandhiji the economic and social difficulties experienced by Harijans in the Andhra districts. They pleaded for certain special facilities and increased representation in legislatures and other elective bodies.

MORE PARITY.

They opposed the principle of Hindu-Muslim parity embodied in the Wavell Plan and said that in case the parity was to be insisted on, it should be on the basis of 25 per cent Hindus, 25 per cent Muslims, 25 per cent Harijans and 25 per cent other minorities. They also wanted the Congress authorities to relax the four-anna membership fee in case of Harijans who wished to join the Congress.

MAHATMA ON MEANING OF 'HARIJAN'.

Speaking at the Harijan Convention Mahatma Gandhi explained how the word 'Harijan' came to be used by him. He said: "The word 'Harijan' is not my invention. A man who belonged to the community wrote to me asking "why do you call us Untouchables and Scheduled Castes? We also pray to God. We are worshippers of 'Hari'. He used the word 'Harijan'. I said this is true and I used the word myself. Everybody has accepted the term. Whenever I hear other words being used, I think they are inapt."

Mahatma Gandhi referred to the South Indian saint Nandanar who was a 'Harijan' devotee having the same eminence as Thyagaraja and Kabir. 'When I say Harijan' he said 'I think in terms of people who are purifying their hearts and not in terms of beatings and kickings. That is the true meaning of the word "Harijan".

'COOLIES' IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Gandhiji recalled his life in South Africa and said: "When I was there I was an untouchable. All those Indians who lived there were regarded as untouchables. Indians there were called 'Coolies'. There is nothing wrong with the word 'Coolie.' It meant only one who carries burdens, whether you were a barrister or whether you had money or not, you were called a 'coolie' in contempt."

WHAT HARIJANS WILL GET WHEN INDIA IS FREE!

Mahatma Gandhi said "you can ask me what will happen to Harijans when India gets Independence? How will you improve their lot?"

What is happening now is that merely a few Harijans who have learnt to read and write have got jobs. They seem to think that if Independence comes, it will happen ust like this. They think that a few of them will be made judges and and magistrates or become barristers, and nothing more".

COMPLETE EQUALITY WITH OTHERS

When we get Independence, this is not the kind of thing that will happen. The number of Congressmen is not four or five. There are crores of them. They have in their hearts a feeling that there should be no untouchability whatever. What they will do is to create in Harijans a feeling of complete equality with all others. Those who are representatives of the Congress will see to this.

INDEPENDENCE DAY MESSAGE

Today is the Indian Independence Day. My message to you is that you should make yourself completely equal with others in this country.

We should all be brothers, one of another. We will be friends with the whole world".

COMMON LANGUAGE FOR INDIA

MADRAS, Jan. 26. (A.P.I.): The importance of one common language throughout India for the unification of all cultures was stressed by Kaka Kalelkar in his inaugural address to the Hindustani Pracharaks Conference to-day.

He said "culture throughout the world is only one, and the only way to adapt it to our religion, our belief and our mode of life is by having one common language throughout the land. Hindustani is the best fitted to serve the whole country towards this end.

Sanskrit was the vehicle of culture long ago, then came Pali, and now we have Hindusthani. Hindusthani should be viewed only from this point of view, and should not be thought to be doing harm to other languages. Learning this language should not be difficult, and it need not be thought to be a help for literary purposes.

HINDUSTHANI IS NOT A NEW LANGUAGE.

Pandit Sunderlal Sharma who presided stated that Sanskritisation and Persianisation did a lot of harm to the Hindusthani language, which was not a new language as some people seemed to think. There was no difference between Hindi and Urdu. Pandit Sharma gave a number of examples of words. Persian forms of which were better understood than their Sanskrit forms even in a place like Benares.

He also condemned the use of Sanskritised and Persianised forms of the language, and stated that Hindusthani speaking persons could easily understand Bhai Sampurnanand and no Urdu speaking person could follow the speech of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (laughter).

Even words like rail ticket, cycle, control and rationing had come to stay in Hindusthani and they should become part of the Hindusthani language. There was no need to coin equivalents for them.

Mahatma Warns Against Mob Rule

MADRAS, Jan. 26. (U.P.I.): "If people want to win Swaraj through violence and mob rule, then I say we shall be burnt to ashes and wiped out of existence. Instead of doing us any good, mob rule will crush us," observed Mahatma Gandhi addressing a huge gatherng at the Hindusthani Nagar last evening.

He added that the people would not be able to achieve independence through violence, but through non-violence alone.

School Boards' Period Of Supersession Reduced

The period of supersession of the District School Boards of Ahmedabad, Kaira and Panch Mahals was extended until August 1, 1947. The Government of Bombay considers that the reasons which necessitated the extension of the period of supersession, no longer to exist and that the period should be curtailed. It has, therefore, directed that the supersession should continue until April 1, 1946 only.

In the case of the District School Board of Surat, supersession was extended until December 1, 1947. This period also has been reduced to April 1, 1946.

FREEDOM WITHIN GRASP!

NEW DELHI, Jan. 26. (A.P.I.): The need for Unity and Discipline for securing the freedom of India was stressed by both Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at the Independence day celebration in Delhi this evening. The Independence Pledge was read out by the Congress President and was repeated by thousands of people who gathered at the Ramlila Grounds. Earlier, Sardar Patel unfurled the Tri-colour Flag. Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Mr. Asaf Ali and members of the Congress Party in the Assembly were present.

Sixteen years ago, Sardar Patel said, they took the Independence Pledge on the banks of the river Ravi. That pledge yet remained to be redeemed.

resolution marked a definite stage on

The passing of the "Quit India" the country's march towards freedom. The past three years was a period of trials and sacrifice.

The Congress today demanded of the British to withdraw not only from India but from All Asia.

The three years had also been a wide awakening in the country. Freedom now was within their grasp. They had sighted freedom. It now required careful piloting of the ship to reach the shore.

LAST STRUGGLE IF....

The Congress, Sardar Patel declared, was not spoiling for a fight, if fight they must, the Congress would be prepared for it in the full knowledge that that would be the last struggle.

The Congress had asked the British power to withdraw and time should be given to enable them to withdraw peacefully. It now behoved everyone to stand united under the Congress. They should not allow their strength to be frittered away.

SYMPATHY FOR BOMBAY VICTIMS.

The Sardar deeply deplored the Bombay disturbances and expressed his sympathy with those killed and wounded. He said there were similar shootings in Calcutta and now in Bombay again. "Are we vegetables to be slashed and shot like this?" He asked.

He warned the people not to get entangled in sporadic struggles and waste their strength. Instead, they should conserve their energy and be prepared to make sacrifice at the appropriate time.

The need of the hour was Unity and Discipline. That could be achieved only by people rallying under the banner of the Congress.

There could be honest divergence of views within the Congress but for action, people should look to One Command. Otherwise, there would be confusion and the country would be weakened and India might not attain freedom.

INDIA AWAKE.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, before reciting the pledge said that India to-day was awake after a long slumber for over a century and half. The difference between a subject nation and a free country was as between a corpse and a living man. India that had just awaken was looking for its place in the comity of free nations. There was a seat for India and it was now left for India to proceed and occupy it.

To-day, January 26, Maulana Azad said, people from Kashmir to Cape Comorin would have congregated and taken the independence pledge. They in Delhi were adding to the voice of freedom raised everywhere.

MATTER OF MONTHS.

The country had marched very near its goal. There was a time when they could only point their fingers at the distant goal of freedom but now they had traversed long and freedom was nearby which might fall in their laps any moment. It was not a matter of years or even months. Freedom was coming and coming very soon.

The nearness of freedom had imposed heavy responsibilities on the people. Never was Unity and Discipline more required than now. People must be prepared to demonstrate their strength at the proper time in an organised manner. Otherwise, freedom which promised to be a reality soon, might be lost.

CHARKA INTRODUCED IN ENGLAND!

Amrit Kaur Reveals

MADRAS, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): "Even the spinning wheel has been introduced in one of the schools in England. Weaving is a fine art taught in another school", said Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, who was in England to attend the United Nations Conference on Education, in an interview this morning.

Asked whether this meant that the Wardha scheme was being introduced in England, she said: "I would not say that they are adopting the Wardha scheme, but they are coming towards it."

In England, the nursery schools are simply perfect, continued Rajkumari Amrit Kaur. Throughout the war years, they never neglected the education of their children. They knew the value of their children's education. The new education act involves the expenditure of millions of pounds, but the people are willing to be taxed.

Sales Tax Protest At Deolali

DEOLALI, Jan. 24: The Deolali Merchants observed total hartal for a day as a protest against the proposed sales-tax of the Bombay Government.

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leaving behind considerable wreckage and wise statesmanship makes measures in due time that will avoid explosions. Our future civilisation depends on the test now being applied to our political intelligence and foresight. If this fails then the future of mankind and certainly of democracy is in jeopardy."

Congress & League Views Not Irreconcilable

SORENSEN HOLDS OUT HOPE OF AMICABLE SETTLEMENT OF INDIA ISSUE

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27. (A.P.I.): "My first impression of the discussions I have had with various Indian political leaders is that of a fundamental sense of unity among practically all of them with regard to the necessity for the attainment of independence, despite variation respecting the method and nature of implementation", said Mr. Reginald Sorensen, one of the members of the British Parliamentary Delegation, in an interview to the Associated Press of India.

He added that he was convinced that Indian independence was politically urgent, and he had both the hope and the faith that it would come to pass in the near future.

Asked how, he thought, would the result of the Parliamentary Delegation's work be implemented by His Majesty's Government or Parliament, Mr. Sorensen said: "His Majesty's Government obviously will determine its own policy in its own way. I need hardly state that Government and Parliament are not constitutionally identical, and that it is Government that submits its proposals to Parliament for endorsement or rejection. The Parliamentary Delegation consists of a group of Members of Parliament, and, therefore, they are acting in a private capacity.

COMMON DENOMINATOR

Whatever suggestions they may care to make have no official sanction, although doubtless both Parliament and Government will be pleased to consider the impressions of our visit. The deputation has a free hand in judging its present and future procedure and has not yet decided the form of any report or statement it may make at the end of the tour. I conjecture, however, that the deputation will have several internal conferences and that it will endeavour to find the highest common denominator, whilst leaving individuals free either to dissent from the majority or to go further than the rest of their colleagues.

I have no doubt that we will take the earliest opportunity of conveying our individual and collective thought to the Secretary of State for India and to Members of Parliament. I am sure the Government will include our reflections and suggestions in its general consideration of the Indian question and I hope and believe that speedy action will be taken at no distant date. The Government, however, will have other advisers, and will naturally form its own judgment, which may or may not harmonise with whatever the delegation may think."

ON PAKISTAN

Asked about his views on the Pakistan question, Mr. Sorensen said; "The difficulty about Pakistan is of course, that of definition although one can appreciate why the Muslim League requires the consent to the principle. Personally I do not believe that the policies of the Congress and the Muslim League are entirely irreconcilable, especially in view of the statement by Congress leaders that they certainly do not intend to compel any considerable area that does not wish to be within the Indian Federation to become a part of it.

"There are several issues to be explored, and it will be impolitic for me to comment further on this matter at the moment. I certainly feel that the British Government has a responsibility both to make its own position quite clear and also to intimate how it considers the admitted principle of Indian freedom and self-government is to be implemented. I have my own purely personal ideas on this matter and will submit these to the British Government. There is also a responsibility resting on the British Government to declare what in its opinion should be the form of interim Government, pending the establishment of the full Indian Constitution. Although I have heard very eloquent arguments respecting the conception of two nations in India, this requires both a definition of what is meant by a nation and also the recognition that in fact within the area called India both Muslims and Hindus actually live and will continue to do so in future."

TREMENDOUS URGE

Replying to the question whether, from what he had seen and known of India during his visit, he thought that the political situation here was explosive or not, Mr. Sorensen said: "There are very vital energies coursing through the Indian body politic and certainly the possibility of strong emotional eruption. The character of this varies from place to place. But no one can ignore the tremendous urge, demand and expectancy of India regarding her future. Unless they find satisfactory expression, undoubtedly there is danger of considerable tension and conflict. I can only trust that positive, constructive goodwill will be translated by all parties into wise and vigorous actions at an early date.

I believe this spirit must be dominant, and that neither fear nor bitter enmity are of any lasting value. Explosions can be dire calamities.

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OBJECTS & PROSPECTS.

The objects of the Company are generally those that are set forth in the Memorandum of Association of the Company and in particular to manufacture vegetable or vanaspati ghee, refined oils, glycerine, hard oils, stearic acid, industrial oils, soaps, hair oil, cosmetics, pharmaceutical products etc. The Company will acquire as a going concern the Amrut Oil Mill situated at Haybunder, Sewree, Bombay, with all its fixed assets, plant, machinery, land, building, furniture, motor cars, tools etc. including railway siding, dock and wharf facilities attached thereto; but not cash or balances at Bank nor liabilities. The Amrut Oil Mill is situated in a prominent industrial area, viz: Sewree in the city of Bombay where other important industries like Tata Oil Mills, Hindustan Vanaspati Manufacturing Co., General Motors, Firestone Tyre Works, etc., are situated. With the acquisition of the Amrut Oil Mill, the Company will have a well-established mill which is equipped with requisite plant and machinery for manufacturing vanaspati ghee, refined oils, soaps, etc. The Amrut Oil Mill has been supplying vegetable product, salad oil, etc., to Defence Services and is on the approved list of suppliers to the Government of India. Further improvement in the plant and machinery is contemplated and for that purpose some machinery has been ordered out from abroad and import licences for same have been secured. After the machinery is received and installed, it would result in greater efficiency and economical working and consequent increase in the output of vanaspati ghee and other products. The Company will have thus a ready vanaspati factory to work and has a bright prospect before it.

AGREEMENTS.

The following agreements have been entered into on behalf of the Company:

(a) VENDOR'S AGREEMENT. Agreement between the Company and the partners of the Amrut Oil Mill whereby the Company has agreed to purchase the said Amrut Oil Mill from the partners thereof as a going concern on terms, conditions and for consideration mentioned therein.

(b) Agreement between the Company and Messrs. Dahanukar Sons Ltd., appointing the latter as the Managing Agents of the Company on terms, conditions and on remuneration stated therein.

MANAGING AGENTS AND THEIR REMUNERATION.

Messrs. Dahanukar Sons Ltd., have been appointed as Managing Agents of the Company for a period of 20 years from the date of the incorporation of the Company on the following remuneration:

A commission of 10 per cent on the net yearly profits of the Company within the meaning of Section 87-C of the Indian Companies Act, subject to a minimum of Rs. 30,000 per annum in the absence of or inadequacy of profit. The above remuneration is exclusive of all costs, rent, charges and expenses that may be incurred by the Managing Agents for or on behalf of the Company.

PREFERENCE SHARES.

The Articles of Association of the Company provide that the Preference shares shall confer the right to a fixed cumulative dividend at the rate of four and a half per cent per annum, free of income-tax, on the capital for the time being paid up or credited as paid up thereon and shall rank in winding up as regards the return of capital and payment of arrears of dividend down to the commencement of the winding up (whether earned, declared or not) in priority to the Ordinary shares but shall not confer the right to any further participation in profits or assets of the Company.

VOTING RIGHTS.

Upon a show of hands every member entitled to vote at General Meetings and present in person or by proxy shall have one vote. Upon a poll every member entitled to vote and present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share held by him. The holders of Preference shares shall have no right to receive notice or be present or to vote in person or by proxy at any General Meeting unless the preferential dividend shall remain unpaid for six months after any date fixed for payment thereof or unless a resolution is proposed affecting the rights or privileges of the holders of Preference shares.

INSPECTION.

Copies of the Managing Agency Agreement, Vendor's Agreement and Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, copy of the Prospectus that has been filed with the Registrar of Companies, Bombay, the Consent Order of the Central Government to issue capital and letter from the Central Bank of India Ltd., underwriting the Company's shares to the extent of Rs. 20 lacs may be inspected at the Registered Office of the Company during the usual office hours.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES.

Application for shares should be made on the form accompanying the Prospectus and sent along with the remittance either to the Registered office of the Company or to their Bankers or the Underwriters.

Prospectus and Application forms are obtainable from the Company, or the Company's Bankers and Underwriters.

Where no allotment is made, the whole of the amount remitted will be returned and if the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, the balance of the remittance amount will be applied in or towards the satisfaction of the amount payable on allotment. Any further surplus will be returned.

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To-day

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Parsi: Amardad 27, 1315
Sunrise: 7-14 a. m., Sunset 6-29 p. m.
Hightide: 06-46, 22-03; Lowtide 02-09, 14-21.
Corporation Meeting: 3-40 (S. T.)
Primary Education Drive: Propaganda Meeting at 46-52 at Damodar Anandji's plot, near Kabibai High School. Bora Bazaar Street, Fort at 6 p. m. (Marathi).

To-day's Engagements

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION

With immediate effect any authorised plain language or code are now admitted in telegrams to and from Malaya where all local restrictions now lifted.

YOUTHS' OWN UNION: 'The way out of Indian Deadlock" at Cama Oriental Institute's Library Hall at 6-15 p. m. The meeting is open to Members and their friends.

B. E. S. T. SCHEDULED STAFF UNION'S General meeting at Cama Institute Hall, opp: R. I. N. Dockyard behind Museum at 5-45 p. m. today. Speakers: Mr. Abidali Jaferbhoy, Mr. N. V. Phadke, Mr. K. T. Sule.

COUNCIL OF STATE VOTERS: Today (Monday) is the last day for the Collector (Old Custom House) to receive applications for enrolment as voters of the Council of State from persons entitled to be so enrolled.

MAZDAZNAN ART EVENING: Today (Monday) at 6 p. m. at Alexandra Girls' School Hall, Waudby Road. Dr. Trivikram will present one of his paintings and speak on its symbolism. Mother Gloria will preside.

Special Programmes On Literacy

1. Mrs. Kulsum Sayani—In Women's Programme in Hindustani between 2-30 p. m. and 3-0 p. m.; 2. Mr. M. V. Donde—Talk in Marathi between 8-45 p. m. and 9-0 p. m.

PUBLIC MEETING

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee a public meeting will be held today at 6-15 p. m. at Shivaji Park, Dadar (B. B. and C. I. Railway), when Shri Gurubaksha Singh Dhillon, one of the three heroes of the I.N.A. trial will address.

Shri Nagindas T. Master, President of the B.P.C.C. will preside. Special enclosures will be reserved for ladies and adequate loud-speakers installed at the meeting.

Volunteers are required to report themselves to duty at 4 p. m. sharp.

SENAPATI BAPAT IN CITY ON WEDNESDAY

Public Reception And Meeting At Dadar

The Jt. Hon. Secretaries of the "G" Ward Dist. Congress Committee writes: Senapati Bapat is arriving in Bombay on Wednesday (30th inst.) and will alight at Dadar Station (G. I. P. Rly) at 9-30 a. m. He will be offered a public reception by the "G" Ward Congress Committee at the Dadar station. There will be a public meeting at Palan Sojpal Chawl Compound, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar, to offer him heartiest Welcome. Shri I. S. Patel, President, of the Committee will preside. Those who desirous to garland him are requested to give their names to the office of the District Congress Committee. Volunteers to be present at the Station at 9 a. m.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

MONDAY, Jan. 28.
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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H), 8-15 News (E), 8-30 Pannalal Ghosh, 8-45 Shahu Modak, 8-50 News (M), 9-0 News (G), 9-10 Programme Parade 9-15 Saraswatibai Faterpekar, 9-45 Gujarati Garba, 12-30 p.m. Geet, 12-45 News (M), 12-50 News (G), 12-55 News (H), 1-0 Bhajan, 1-30 News (E), 1-40 Music, 2-30 For Women, 4-20 School Broadcast, 5-0 Sundrabai Jadhav, 5-30 Bhajans, 5-45 Topical Talk, 5-55 Locals, 6-0 G. N. Joshi, 6-30 News (E), 6-40 News (H), 6-45 A I R Quartet, 7-0 Music from Film, 7-15 Rafique Ghazavi, 7-30 V. S. Deshpande, 8-0 "Bhadram Bhadra-No" Punaravatar-Vadadara-Ni Mulakat", 8-15 News (M), 8-30 News (G), 8-45 Rafique Ghaznavi, 9-0 News (H), 9-20 News (E), 9-30 B B C News, 9-40 Sarangi, 9-45 Week in Bombay, 10-0 Pannalal Ghosh, 10-15 Rafique Ghaznavi, 10-30 Saraswatibai Faterpekar.

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R. A. F. Strike Spreads To Far East

Shouts Of 'Ships For Blighty Not For Java' Greet Visiting Air Marshall

SINGAPORE, Jan. 26 (A.P.A.): About 4,000 R.A.F. men shouted "ships for blighty, not for Java" and other slogans when Air Marshal Sir Keith Park addressed men at Seletar, a major R. A. F. base nine miles from Singapore this afternoon after a strike by ground crew personnel this morning stopped all flying operations at the base.

When the S.E.A.C. Air Commander told the men he had no authority to promise anything, voices shouted: "quicker demobilisation, bring down the tour."

Sir Kenneth said that the Air Ministry had agreed to establish when possible, his recommendation that the duty tour for single men be reduced from three years six months to three years.

The men greeted this announcement with protesting shouts.

AUTHORITIES UNJUST AND ARBITRARY

Kripalani On Strike In Cawnpore College

CAWNPORE, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.): A deputation of three students of the local Agricultural College waited on Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee and reviewed the strike situation in the college.

Acharya Kripalani in a statement says: "I feel that the demands of the students of the agricultural college are just and fair and the action of the authorities unjust and arbitrary. However, it will be useless for me to give any advice to the authorities who merely carry out the orders of a foreign Government. A Foreign Government cannot do the right thing. I can, therefore, give advice to my young friends, the students. My advice to them is to remain firm in their resolve, to assert their just rights and if need be to sacrifice for them to the utmost. I hope they will have the necessary strength."

NO PLACE FOR THEM IN MALAYA

SINGAPORE, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Japanese, Koreans and Formosan civilians, will not be allowed to remain in Malaya, according to an announcement issued today by the Civilian Police Security Bureau and the Military Administration's Legal Bureau.

INDIAN LABOURERS' TOKEN STRIKE

COLOMBO, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.)—One-day token strike of all Indian workers in the island has been called by the Ceylon Indian National Congress for February 12 to draw attention to the Indian problem and press for equal franchise and citizenship rights for Indians.

Karwar To Be Training Base

KARWAR Jan. 26 (A.P.I.): Karwar, the third best harbour on the west coast of India, may, in the near future, be a training base for the Royal Indian Navy according to an interview of Admiral Godfrey, Flag Officer Commanding Roval Indian Navy to the Associated Press of India.

Admiral Godfrey accompanied by Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief, India visited Karwar yesterday and left this morning for Bombay.

Black Marketing In Notes

KARACHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): The Karachi police claim to be on the tracks of black marketeers in high denomination notes in the city.

Following yesterday's arrest for selling notes less than the face value the police yesterday arrested another person for purchasing Rs. 1,000 note at Rs. 700.

For Ticketless Travel From Mecca To India

KARACHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): On a charge of travelling under a false passport from Mecca to India, a traveller named Mahommed Alim was to-day convicted under the Defence of India Rules and ordered to pay a fine of Rs. 2,000.

Garland Fetches Rs. 4,500

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 2. (A.P.I.)—Mr. Gurubaksh Singh Dhillon of the Indian National Army attended last night a dramatic performance in the Proprietory High School which was arranged in aid of the I.N.A. Relief Fund. Mr. Dhillon auctioned the garland which Mr. Morarji Desai presented to him and realised Rs. 4,500.

AMRUT OIL MILLS LTD.

Elsewhere we publish an announcement relating to the Amrut Oil Mills Ltd. The Company will take over the Amrut Oil Mill situated in Sewree, Bombay. It is fully equipped with all machinery and plant for extracting refining and hydrogenating oils and has been manufacturing vanaspati ghee and is also supplying the same to Defence Services of the Government of India

The Company has the unique advantage of having a well-established and already working vegetable ghee factory from the start. Unlike other vegetable ghee factories that are proposed to be started in different parts of the country, this Company need not await the arrival of machinery and plant from abroad.

The Board of Directors consist of well known businessmen of Bombay.

C.-IN-C. VISITS BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): H. E. General Sir Claude Auchinleck, the Commander-in-Chief arrived at Bombay yesterday from H M I. S. Narbada, having embarked at Cochin on January 23 and stayed on board till today. This is the first occasion on which a Commander-in Chief in India sailed on board an H. M. I. Ship.

Soviet Claim Over Kuriles

U.S. State Secretary Contradicted

LONDON, Jan. 27 (Reuter): The text of the Soviet news agency's announcement on Kurile Islands was as follows. "The United States Acting Secretary of State Mr. Dean Acheson stated at a press conference on January 22 that the secret Yalta agreement between the three Allied powers provided for granting to the Soviet Union the right to occupy the Kurile Islands, but as far as he understood this agreement did not provide for final transfer of the Kurile Islands to the Soviet Union.

Mr. Acheson added that such was his opinion, though he might be mistaken.

The Soviet news agency is authorised to take it clear that on the question of Kurile Islands Mr. Acheson is indeed mistaken.

"In the Yalta Agreement between the three great powers, signed on February 11, 1945, by M. Stalin, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt—which at the time was not published for understandable—reasons it is definitely stated that after victory over Japan the Kurile Islands will be turned over to the Soviet Union, and also that the southern part of Sakhalin Island and the neighbouring islands should be returned to the Soviet Union."

Beware, Indian Manufacturers

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—A 60-page review of commercial conditions in India was published today by the Department of Overseas Trade.

Outlining the possibilities of India as a post-war market, the review says: "Political movements of the last 15 years have created some sense of duty among Indian purchasers to buy Indian-made goods whenever available. Wartime developments have also encouraged buying of Indian products since imported goods have been in short supply.

"Indian manufactures satisfactory in quality and price may accordingly retain their hold on the market. Generally the situation remains that indigenous manufactures are not considered or expected to be up to the standard of United Kingdom products which are almost invariably preferred when available and when the price different is not too great."

U.S. TO SHIP RAW COTTON TO JAPAN

WASHINGTON, Jan 26 (U.P.A.)—Authoritative quarters revealed today that the U.S. plans to supply raw cotton to the Japanese textile industry and has envisaged at present a shipment of approximately two hundred thousand bales to be made during the next three months.

RAILWAY REFORMS

Standing Finance Committee's Recommendations

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Important decisions are believed to have been reached at the whole day meeting of the Standing Finance Committee for railways yesterday.

In addition to the annual budget, the Committee it is believed decided that the Railways should stop with effect from 1st January the dearness allowance granted to its employees, drawing 1,000 rupees or over. It also decided that superannuated staff should make room for others and should not in future be given extensions.

The Committee further decided that the Railways themselves should do all catering departmentally and eliminate private caterers.

Regarding the Railroad Co-ordination, Railways were directed against acquiring further share capital in the Nagpur Transport Company.

84 lakhs were budgetted for Kunchanpara broadgauge locomotive workshop.

For Manufacture Of Locos In India

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): The Standing Finance Committee for Railways which met yesterday, it is understood, sanctioned Rs. 82 lakhs for the purchase of machinery for the manufacture of locomotives at the Kanchrapara Workshop.

Rashtrabhasha Examinations

The Secretary Bombay Rashtrabhasha Prachar Sabha writes: The Rashtrabhasha Examinations of the Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha will be held on 2nd and 3rd of February 1946 at the following centres from Bombay. Figures in brackets indicate the number of candidates appearing:—

Girgaum Aryan Education Society's High School (988), Matunga Ramnarian Ruia College (814), Santa Cruz Sheth Anandilal Podar High School (79), Andheri Girls' High School (72), Malad N. L. High School (65), Borivli, Borivli High School (20). Virar Kanya Shala (13), Ghatkoper Ramji Asar Vidyalaya (80), Thana (to be announced later) (30) making a total of 2,161.

The candidates as per examinations are as follows:—

Rashtrabhasha Prarambhic 1120. Pravesh 724, Parichaya 241, Kovid 76.

The candidates will get their Hall tickets and Examination numbers through their Prachar Centre from 26th January or from the office of the Sabha, Fellowship School, Gowalia Tank between 5-30 and 7 p. m. on week days and between 3 and 5 p. m. on Sundays.

BLIND RELIEF MISSION, NAGPUR

Shri Kumar Pal, Secretary of the Blind Relief Mission, Nagpur, announces the following programme framed for holding eye camps in C. P. and Berar:—

Malkapur—30 31st Jan.
Bilaspur.—4 5th Feb. '46.

Expert Eye Surgeons of the Mission will treat all eye patients free of charge.

NEW CONSTITUTION FOR CHINA

All-Parties Conference Comes To Agreement On Draft

CHUNGKING, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The Fortnight-old Chinese Inter-party talks at the People's Consultative Council Conference here are nearing a decisive stage. Reuter learns that all sides have agreed on the following principles regarding the draft constitution:

1. That the Cabinet system be adopted instead of the American Presidential system. The Executive Yuan (Council) would be elected by the National Assembly and be responsible to the Legislative Yuan;

2. The Legislature would be modelled on the American Congressional system. The Legislative Yuan will be the lower house, with half its members elected by the National Assembly and half by universal suffrage. The Controlling Yuan would be the Upper House with its members elected by Provincial Legislatures;

3. Provinces would be made units of local self-government, thus copying American federalism.

Quake Hits Districts Of Switzerland

BERNE, Jan. 26 (A.P.A.): Communications in several districts of Switzerland were disrupted today, and considerable property damage was reported following the most intense earthquake Switzerland had experienced since 1855.

Hardest hit in the series of tremors last night was Sitten (Sion) in the extreme southern part of the country. Several persons at Sitten were injured, none of them seriously and telephone, electric and rail services were disrupted. Some buildings were cracked and landslides started by the tremors blocked all rail traffic.

YET ANOTHER DELEGATION?

Cripps And Pethick Lawrence To Hit India, This Summer

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Jan. 26.

Persistent reports confirm my earlier story that the Secretary of State is expected to visit India soon after the provincial elections say in June or July. Some friends of the Congress I learn have been in correspondence with Sir Stafford Cripps urging him to pay another visit this country preferably with Lord Pethick-Lawrence. Sir Stafford's attitude is reported to be not unfavourable to this suggestion.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Jan. 27. (A.P.I.): Following is the weather chart showing the maximum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours. Total rainfall from 1st November 1945 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours I S T, on 27th January 1945:

Ahmedabad 85 60 0 0 minus 1.6, Allahabad nil nil 0 1.0 minus 0.4, Bangalore 81 57 0 0.7 minus 2.7, Baroda 87 52 0 0 nil, Belgaum 87 59 0 0.4 minus 1.6, BOMBAY 85 67 0 0.4 minus 0.4, Calcutta 87 56 0 0 minus 1.3, Colombo 86 69 0 9.6 minus 12.1, Cuttack 91 61 0 0.6 minus 1.5, Darjeeling 51 37 0 0.1 minus 1.4, Dehra Dun 77 46 0 0.5 minus 2.7, Delhi 81 50 0 0 minus 1.3, Hyderabad (Dn.) 91 57 0 0.1 minus 1.6, Karachi 79 58 0 0.1 minus 0.6, Lahore 75 41 0 0.1 minus 1.4, Lucknow 85 56 0 0 minus 1.2, Madras 82 64 0 17.4 minus 3.3, Mahableshwar 80 60 0 0 minus 1.9, Mysore 84 57 0 2.7 minus 0.6, Nagpur 94 64 0 0 minus 1.6, Ootacamund 72 39 0 9.1 nil, Pachmarhi 80 51 0 0 minus 1.7, Patna 80 53 0 0.1 minus 0.9, Peshawar 61 37 0 1.5 minus 0.7, Poona 91 56 0 0 minus 1.3, Shillong 64 41 0 1.8 minus 0.6, Sholapur 91 61 0 0 minus 1.9, Simla 55 39 0 0.5 minus 3.5, Srinagar 35 31 T 1.4 minus 2.8.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Self-sacrifice enables us to sacrifice other people without blushing.

—G. B. Shaw.

The Bombay Chronicle

INDIA'S WILL TO FREEDOM

Millions of Indians all over the land reaffirmed, on Saturday, the inalienable right of the people of this country to freedom from all extraneous control and solemnly reiterated the pledge to carry out non-violently the struggle till Purna Swaraj or complete Independence is attained. The demonstrations of Saturday, whether in Bombay or elsewhere, were no mere spectacular shows but were outward manifestations of the grim determination of the people as a whole of this vast country not to tolerate any longer the control of their destinies by any alien Power and to stand on their own legs whatever might be the cost of the struggle to reach that status. The opponents of Indian independence, who all along have been trying to prevent the people of this country from enjoying their birthright of freedom, by cleverly playing the game of "divide and rule", have begun to realise at long last the futility of any further attempts to break the solidarity of the people and keep them away from the goal on which they have set their heart. Saturday's demonstrations have shown conclusively that in spite of all the terrible sufferings inflicted on them during the dark days of 1942 and 1943—and, perhaps, because of them—the determination of the people has been strengthened ten-fold to free themselves for ever from the yoke of alien thraldom. As Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has truly observed, the temper of the people has become such that they are not prepared to submit to or to tolerate methods of cowing them such as shooting down of crowds or use of tear-gas. Mr. H. N. Brailsford has been obliged, after even a cursory view of the Indian situation, to declare that Indians have lost every vestige of faith in the sincerity of Britishers and that they are determined to wrest their freedom from the hands of the British. He has warned his countrymen that any further delay in the solution of the Indian problem will spell disaster.

Nowhere was this will to freedom of the Indian people more clearly discernible than in the memorable scenes witnessed on the Independence Day. During the previous three days the city had been subjected to bloodbaths of a most deplorable kind. Those in authority, for reasons still inexplicable to the thinking public, had lent countenance to vague apprehensions of "communal trouble" which created an atmosphere of alarm and suspense in many minds. As we had pointed out from the very beginning of the trouble, the authorities, particularly the Police Commissioner, had failed to read the situation aright and basing their policy on an utterly wrong analysis, had resorted to measures of a highly provocative nature—with the ugly consequences that the city now knows of. It is still our considered view that if the police had not obstructed and later tried by violent measures to disperse the peaceful procession at the junction of Sandhurst and Charni Roads, and had allowed the procession to pass along Sandhurst and other roads, there would really have arisen no serious trouble at all. That the fears of the police and other governmental authorities regarding recrudescence of "communal trouble" were entirely baseless was demonstrated beyond any shadow of doubt by the total absence of lawlessness in connection with the Independence Day demonstrations. Let it be remembered that the processionists of Saturday were entirely without any protection of the police, since the latter had withdrawn completely from the streets along which the procession passed. This withdrawal of the police was a very wise measure, for it removed all source of provocation to the people. The magnificent discipline and self-reliance shown by the immense crowds which accompanied the main procession effectively knocked the bottom from the official suggestion that without the protection of the police Indian crowds would get out of control and go at each others' throats.

Frankly Speaking

Talks In Batavia

While the Indonesian problem remains a subject of tense speculation in U.N.O. circles, the stage is being set in Batavia for talks between the Dutch and the Indonesians. Dr. Van Mook has arrived in Batavia and so has Dr. Sultan Sjahrir returned from Dr. Soekarno's headquarters at Jogjakarta, while Sir Archibald Clerk-Kerr is on his way from Moscow. As we have said before, Sir Archibald can be of help both during the talks and later. If the talks succeed, well and good. If they fail, the British envoy can help in securing a change in British military policy so that the Indonesians do not have to face the possibility of a British assisted re-imposition of Dutch Imperialism over Indonesia. There is still absolutely no guarantee that these talks will succeed. Success depends on the character of the Dutch offer, which does not become satisfactory to Indonesians merely by reason of the fact, as Reuter seems significantly at pains to urge, that Dutch Conservative opinion is highly critical of their Government's proposals.

New French Government

This time General de Gaulle has finally retired. At least the French National Assembly has almost unanimously elected the Socialist M. Felix Gouin as the President. All the three main parties, the Communist, the Socialist and the Progressive Catholic Party have managed with noteworthy speed to form a coalition Government. And what is more, they have agreed upon the financial programme put forward by the Finance Minister and recommended by the President. But, as M. Gouin has pointed out, the whole economic and financial future of France depends upon securing a very large loan from the United States. Here enters an interesting speculation. The Americans are known to be very touchy—their sensitiveness was only too evident during the negotiations for a loan to Britain—in the matter of Socialism and Socialist economic plans. What price will the Communists and Socialists of France agree to pay in order to secure a loan? Moreover, how will the loan affect the problem of the formation of a Western European bloc strongly opposed by the Soviet Union and French Communists and supported by Britain and the French Socialists? As to the question whether the change from de Gaulle to Gouin will affect French Imperial policy there is no answer yet. Probably there will be none.

Iran Premier's Move

It is, we think, good that Iran's new Premier is Qavam-es-Sultaneh since any one else would have annoyed the Russians still further, though it is noteworthy that the Majlis elected him by a majority of only one or two votes. The small margin shows the real temper of the Majlis, which resents the policy of threat and force, which the Soviet Union has adopted towards Iran. The first act of the new Premier has been to declare that his Government would seek to compose the controversy with Russia over Azerbaijan by direct negotiation. This was expected. Since then reports from London say that the Iranian delegation has not withdrawn its representation. Its long statement is, we believe, more in the nature of a reply to the Soviet delegate's statement than a determined insistence upon the dispute being heard by the Security Council. Moreover, quite possibly the Iranians had not till then received instructions from the new Cabinet. One may also expect that the Russians would not reject Qavam-es-Sultaneh's approaches as they did those of Ibrahim Hakimi. Every well wisher of Iran will wish the new Premier success in the very delicate task that he has set before himself. And that success, needless to say, will be judged by whether his efforts achieve a settlement without prejudice to Iran's rights and her future.

Interesting Question

Meanwhile, U.N.O. delegates, hot and bothered and very much alarmed, are having a sigh of relief that their organisation has escaped a grave danger, the grave danger of being called upon to do what it has been created to do. The test of its 'raison d'etre' was serious enough by itself. It had threatened to become still more critical because the Soviet delegate had stated Russia's view definitely to the effect that the Azerbaijan issue was not a subject for discussion and decision by the Assembly and the Security Council. But the withdrawal of the Russo-Iranian dispute from the agenda still leaves the Indonesian and Greek problems, raised by the Soviet delegations, to be dealt with. There have been reports that the British welcome the reference of these problems to the Security Council, that they will not ask for their withdrawal, and that, in fact, if the Soviet delegations move to withdraw their representation, the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, would still wish to state the British position. If these reports are correct Mr. Bevin has, or will have, scored a moral point. But the initiative of pressing or withdrawing the Indonesian and Greek issues rests with the Soviet delegations. What will they do if, as we believe, the Iranian question is certain to be dropped? It will be very interesting to wait and see

Late Professor Kale

India has lost an eminent economist in the death of Professor V. G. Kale. Prof. Kale was a life-member of the Deccan Education Society and served the Fergusson College as a professor of Economics for many years. While still a professor at the College he was elected a member of the Council of State where he rendered valuable service. He was subsequently appointed a member of the Indian Tariff Board where his knowledge of Indian economics stood him in good stead. He had for some years past been leading a comparatively retired life but, even in his retirement, he devoted himself to the service of the agriculturist for whose benefit he conducted a periodical. His solicitude for the agriculturist was responsible for his taking active part in the spread of the co-operative movement. He was chairman of the Poona Co-operative Bank and a Director of the Bombay Provincial Co-operative Bank. For over twenty-five years he was a regular and valued contributor to the columns of the "Bombay Chronicle". We offer our heart-felt sympathy to the family of the deceased.

No Resentment In Muslim Quarters

It is not at all fair for the police authorities to say that they did think that if the I.N.A. procession had gone through Muslim localities, the Muslims would not have liked it. Muslims are as eager or more than Hindus to get independence. In fact the League constitution demands Independence. Besides, since the last important rulers in India like Bahadur Shah were mostly Muslims, they feel they must have it soon. Why, Sir, if to-day Hindus agree with Muslims it will be Muslims who will get independence to-morrow and will sacrifice all for it. In the I.N.A. there were Muslims and they fought as well as others and the moneys provided were mostly by Muslims thereat. Further, in Burma and Malaya the Indian Muslims have long since made a good common cause with those people and do not wish Europeans to rule them. Again in the Straits Settlements there are some six crores of Muslims and therefore also Indian Muslims are concerned in their liberty. Only a day before Qaid-e-Azam demanded at Delhi the immediate withdrawal of Indian troops from Indonesia, which includes Muslims and if we had to-day independence we would have gone to their rescue. Likewise is the Muslims' position with regard to Palestine Sudan Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Turkey. We do not want Russia in Iran and Iraq and to-day Qaid-e-Azam has declared we are with the Arabs.

This is the true mass Muslim feeling which must be respected. Yesterday we were ready to join in the procession. In fact a fairly good number did join and I saw a group of 600 to 700 with about 100 to 200 of our Indonesian Muslim brethren, with them, and an equal number ready at the Golpitha-Bhendi Bazar junction to join and they are very much disappointed. To-day a great deal of sympathy was shown by Muslims wherever they met their Indonesian brethren and it is a talk in all Mohollas that what took place yesterday and to-day to them was regrettable. More so as valuable lives were lost; what is more regrettable is the flashing out of the news that Muslims did not sympathise with the good object. I hope Sir, you will publish this statement about the real position.

HAJI ABDUL KARIM HAJI MAHMED.
24th Jan., 1946.

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WAVELL CONGRATULATES MAVLANKAR

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI, Jan. 27.

Lord Wavell, it is understood, has written a personal letter to President Mavlankar congratulating him on his election as President of the Central Assembly and wishing him all success in his tenure of office.

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CRACKERS THAT HIT GIRLS IN PROCESSION

4 Calcutta Communists Under Arrest

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.). Four communists have been taken into custody by the police following the incident near the South Calcutta Communist Party office yesterday when there was an explosion of two crackers, resulting in two girls participating in an Independence Day procession being injured.

One of the injured girls was discharged after treatment at the hospital while the other is still in hospital.

COMMUNIST PARTY SECRETARY'S, PLEA

The Secretary of the Bengal Committee of the Communist Party of India in a statement says that the Communist Party office in South Calcutta was attacked yesterday morning and besieged by a crowd fed on false rumour.

The facts were that some persons on the street below the party office fired some crackers which hit one or two members of an Independence Day procession. The crowd that collected began beating one of the persons who had thrown the cracker.

But after some time, shouts began to be raised from the crowd that Communists from the office above had hit the procession. Immediately people rushed to our party office, tore down the flags and removed the sign boards.

A member of our party who was not present at the time of the incident took place, was brutally beaten by hooligans when he arrived at the spot a few minutes later. The police came and arrested four of our comrades.

CONGRESS TO THE RESCUE

Mr. Kalipada Mookerjee, Secretary Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, Srimati Bina Das and some Congress volunteers came to the spot and tried to pacify the crowd saying that the Congress did not approve of such things. But a large section of the crowd still remained and stray assaults took place.

The Secretary adds that at 11 last night the assistant Editor of a local Communist daily was severely beaten by some persons.

THE ASSEMBLY LAST WEEK

By "A STRANGER IN THE HOUSE"

NEW DELHI, (By Air Mail).

The new Legislative Assembly has just completed a week's existence. Is it really a new Assembly or just the same old mixture as before? Dewan Chamanlal, returning to the House after an interval of some fifteen years, complained from the Opposition front bench that he found the official wing just the same, in its psychological and ideological make-up, as in his back-bench days. With Mr. Jinnah, Nawabzada Liaqat Ali and Sir Mohamad Yamin Khn on its front bench, the Muslim League, too, had undergone no metamorphosis. It was another pair of shoes altogether in so far as the Congress Party was concerned. Not only was there a brand new leader at its head; no less than three-fourths of the fifty-eight Congress members were new to the House.

With the elimination of various splinter groups, the House could visually be divided into three distinct sections—the Congress White Caps, the League Black Caps, and the nominated Bareheads. Here and there, an exception caught the moving eye—Mrs. Ammu Swaminathan, breaking the male monopoly. Abdur Rahman Siddiqui sticking to his red Turkish fez, and Khan Abdul Ghani Khan towering martially and magnificently over all others in the traditional Pathan costume. It sems a pity—this sartorial contretemps. Why can't we Indians at least dress alike, or at least not hitch our headdress on to our religion? The same divisive tendency was to be found when the names of the Honourable Members were called out. The Hindus were Srivuts; the Sikhs were Sardars; the Muslims, the Parsis and the Christians were Misters.

"Benthall Is Busy"

Easily the most exciting and significant event of the week was the election of the President. Till twenty-four hours before nomination day on Wednesday, it had been anticipated that this would be uncontested, the League conceding the honour to the Congress and the Congress leaving the Deputy President to the League. But on Tuesday, as P. G. Wodehouse would have described it, "the word went round the underworld, Benthall is busy." The long and the short of it was that, thinking they had a majority between them, the Government and the League nominated Sir Cowasji Jehangir in order to keep out Mr. Mavlanker. It was explained in some quarters that Mr. Mavlanker was considered to be too much under Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's influence and that a generally respected member, soaked in the traditions of the House, like Mr. K. C. Neogy, would have been quite acceptable. Apart from being unfair to Mr. Mavlankar, who is a good Liberal in the best sense of the term and can be trusted to play the game according to the rules, it was difficult to accept the genuineness of the plea in view of the fact that it was not made to the Congress Party before the nominations actually took place. The explanation given after the event by Nawabzada Liaqat Ali, who actually nominated Sir Cowasji that the League wanted to stand by the smaller minorities like the Parsis, sounded even more tame. The evil 'genii' on the Government side were evidently Sir Edward Benthall and the ever malignant Dr. Ambedkar who succeeded in overriding the remonstrances of some of their cabinet colleagues like Sir Ardeshir Dalal Sir John Thorne and Sir Akbar Hydari.

Anyway, all's well that ends well, and it may now be safely revealed that even the Congress Whips were taken by surprise at the happy 'denouement.' To whom does the credit go? To Sir Ardeshir Dalal and Prince Himatsinghji, certainly. But also to those three or four Unknown Warriors on the nominated benches (were they officials or non-officials or both?) who upset the applecart by allowing their national sentiment to get the better of their official instructions.

Adjournment Motions

Mornings this week were rather dull, taken mostly with points or order or long-drawn quibblings over the admission of motions and the functions of Standing Committees. The afternoons were livelier with adjournment motions. These started off in good style with that on Indonesia, on which the Congress and the League combined to inflict a defeat on Government, which discreetly decided not to challenge a division. The best speeches came from the Muslim League benches, including one from Mr. Jinnah, who gave Government a loophole to escape censure. Why did not Sir Edward Benthall avail himself of it by admitting that the Government of India had already pressed the British Government for the withdrawal of Indian troops? Who knows? In any event, Indian members of the Viceroy's Council were not a bit pleased with the Leader of the House for for not letting them take the credit for at least, the verbal protest they in fact had made to Whitehall.

Non-official unity did not, unfortunately, last beyond the day. The next adjournment motion, which was on Railway Retrenchment, found the League throwing its weight the other way, and so the motion was allowed to be talked out. Obvious tactics these, to make both the Government and the Opposition realize that the League can tilt the scales which way they please.

Two Ex-Mayors

The pendulum swung the other way again on Wednesday, when the adjournment motion on the failure to release detenus came up. Despite a soft-spoken and conciliatory speech by Sir John Thorne, the censure motion was carried without a division. The debate introduced to the House two new members who promise to add to its vitality,—one a former Mayor of Calcutta, the other of Bombay. Mr. Abdur Rahman Siddiqui vigorously took up cudgels for the much-maligned Hurs, while Mr. M. R. Masani focussed attention on the significance of the Indian Socialist leader Jayaprakash Narayan being detained without trial by a British Socialist Government.

Of particular interest to Bombay in next week's proceedings of the Assembly should be the debate on the ratification of the Bretton Woods Agreement and a two-debate on the grave food situation which was offered by Government to meet two adjournment motions threatened by Congress members from Bombay and Madras, which are the provinces worst affected.

MAURITIUS LETTER

(From Our Correspondent)
PORT LOUIS, Jan. 9.

Our Parliament lobby was full of excitement yesterday evening after the Governor had made a statement on the change of our Constitution which dates as far back as 1868. This long expected statement has amazed the Indian community who had pinned high hopes on the Labour Government. It appears that the demand of the male adult suffrage, made by the Indians has been turned down by the Colonial Office. The franchise, however, is not yet known, as it is still being examined at Downing Street, but the Governor has made it clear that he does not want "to hold out any hopes that there will be a vast increase of voters."

The main point of the Governor's statement is the enlargement of the Legislative Council which is actually composed of 28 members (including the Governor who is the chairman of the Council,) i.e. 10 elected members (of whom one is an Indian) eight ex-officio members, three official nominated members and six unofficial nominated members (three of whom are Indians). According to the new plan, the Legislative Council will be composed of 39 members: 19 elected members, 12 unofficial members and eight official members nominated by the Governor. The chairman of the Council will be the Governor who will have a casting vote.

The Indians are contemplating the idea of holding protest meetings all over the Island and of sending a delegation to wait on the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

PROGRESS OF EDUCATION

According to the last annual Report of the Education Department for the year ending 30th June 1945, which has just been published, there were, on the 31st March 1945, 123 Government and aided primary schools in the Colony, 55 Government, 50 Roman Catholic, 17 Anglican, 4 Hindu and 2 Moslem. The total teaching staff, excluding part-time teachers, numbered 1,174, compared with a corresponding figure of 1,091 last year. The total enrolment was 39,270, an increase of 1,887 on the previous year's figure. Indian pupils numbered 22,234 (15,042 being boys and 7,912 girls): this represents an increase of 1,490 over last year's figure, so that the drop in the year 1942-43 has been more than compensated for.

In addition to the Government and aided primary schools, there were 127 private schools of primary grade; the children in average attendance in these schools numbered 3,960.

The expenditure of the Education Department during the year was of Rs. 1,700,294, i.e., every child on the roll of primary schools costs roughly Rs. 2.850.

Statistics of pupils at the two Government secondary schools were Christians 323; Hindus 72; Moslems 61; Buddhists 11; Others 3.

The number of unaided secondary schools rose to 32 with 2,050 pupils on the roll.

Classes in religious knowledge is being given by Swami Ghanananda, the Ramakrishna Mission, to the Hindu pupils of the two Government secondary schools.

MUSLIM LEAGUE SUCCESS

The news of the success of the Muslim League at the recent Central Assembly elections has been received with great satisfaction by the Muslim community, particularly by those Muslims who have come from Cutch and Surat. A message of congratulations has been sent by one of them to Mr. Jinnah and same has been published in the local press. I am told that the Imams of all the mosques of the Island are spreading the news among their "jamats" that the British has surrendered to the claim of Mr. Jinnah and that Muslim Raj has been established in India. I do not yet know the author of these rumours, but one thing is certain the Muslims of Mauritius, though they do not exactly know the very meaning of Pakistan, are showing more and more interest in the movement of the Muslim League. I must add that the Indian community as a whole do not minimise the struggle of independence led by the Indian National Congress under the guidance of Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

Kenya Whites On War Path

Councillor Wants To Break With Britain To Preserve White Autocracy

NAIROBI, Jan. 26 (Reuter): Meetings held in Legislative Council constituencies throughout Kenya have categorically rejected the proposals for the future of East Africa announced by the British Government last month as a "basis for discussion" and described them as a menace to White settlement not only in Kenya but in the whole of East Africa.

Bitter criticism has been levelled at the suggested Central Legislature Assembly and the idea that it could by a stroke of the pen take over all powers won by the Kenya Europeans during the last 25 years.

Grave exception is also taken to the proposal that India should have equal representation with Europeans in the Assembly.

Elected members of the Council refused to discuss the White Paper and have appointed a Sub-Committee to take evidence and put forward counter proposals.

Feeling is very high among Europeans all over the country, and plans are being made to combat any attempt to force the proposals on Kenya.

AFRICANS ACCEPT IT

African Members of the Legislative Council have intimated that they would be prepared to accept the White Paper suggestions but they have been challenged that their view is not representative of well over 3,000,000 African illiterates.

A conference of the European Electors Union of representatives from districts throughout the country this week supported elected members of the Legislative Council and pledged themselves to do their utmost to assist in throwing out the proposals.

A call for Self-Government with an unofficial European majority was made.

Proposals for East Africa, included creation of an East African High Commission and a Central Legislature.

The High Commission is to consist of Governors of the three territories of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika and the Central Legislature Assembly is to comprise of 12 official and 24 unofficial members normally at Nairobi.

WANTS TO BREAK WITH BRITAIN

Lord Francis Scott, member of the Executive Council and the Legislative Council of Kenya Colony in an interview discussed determination of British colonists in Kenya to achieve self-government. He said that a direct attack had been made on the political position of British Colonists who were virtually threatened with reduction to the level of disleyal Indians and illiterate Africans.

Lord Scott said that he had personally proposed a scheme for the unification of Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika preserving the existing proportional representation of Europeans and Indians with increase for Africans. This scheme had been taken to the Colonial office by Major-General Sir Philip Mitchell, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Kenya, but had received no attention.

"I am now convinced" added Lord Scott "that the only safeguard for Europeans and Africans in East Africa lies in self-governing with a European local majority in the Legislature. Settlers are equally incensed by the decision to transfer inhabitants of Tanganyika without local consent to international control."

Begum Shah Nawaz Threatens Satyagraha

LAHORE, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.): Begum Shah Nawaz addressing a women's gathering in Lahore announced her intention to defy the recent orders of the Punjab Government empowering the District Magistrates and sub-divisional Magistrates to sanction prosecutions on complaints from voters and candidates that threats of divine displeasure were held out, if they did not exercise their franchise in a particular manner.

Characterising these orders as direct interference in the religious affairs of the Mussalmans, she said that ever since Malik Khizr Hyat Khan broke away from the Muslim League, he had been endeavouring to undermine Muslim solidarity. But his latest order was an intolerable encroachment on the religious rights of the Mussalmans. In Islam, she pointed out religion could not be divorced from politics and any attempt to do so constituted an attack on the Islamic law.

NEW YORK AS U.N.O'S INTERIM HEADQUARTERS

NEW YORK, Jan. 27 (Reuter): New York may become interim headquarters of the U.N.O since it will take several years to draft necessary buildings on the site chosen for the permanent headquarters.

R.A.F. Strike At Dum Dum Continues

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27 (A.P.A.): The strike of 1,200 R.A.F. men at Dum Dum which commenced yesterday, continues.

The strike is over the rate and progress of demobilisation and repatriation. It is confined to men below the rank of sergeants.

"STATEMENT DISTORTED"

Dr. Sjahrir's Retort To Ukranian Complaint Before U.N.O.

LONDON, Jan. 27 (Reuter): On the eve of the expected consideration by the United Nations Security Council of Ukranian complaints about British action in Java, the Prime Minister of the Indonesian Republican Government, Dr. Sultan Sjahrir, has complained that his statement of January 21 commenting on Ukrainian action in bringing the situation in Indonesia before the Security Council had been distorted.

Dr. Sjahrir asserted that what he said was: "Any request for the withdrawal of British troops from Indonesia must be coupled with a demand that the Japanese in this country should be handed over to the Indonesian Peace Preservation Corps.

"If this duty is handed over to Indonesians it will be possible for the British to leave at any time."

'PRAVDA' ATTACKS BRITISH POLICY

Moscow newspaper "Pravda" meanwhile had this comment today on the situation in Java, "the British press continues to maintain that the presence of British troops in Indonesia is due to the necessity of disarming Japanese troops. However, not only has this disarmament not taken place, but on the contrary Japanese troops under British command, have been actively employed in military operations against Indonesians.

The problem of Greece and Indonesia has grown so acute that consideration and solution of it by the U.N.O. Security Council becomes a proper and vitally important task."

NOTES WORTH RS. 40 LAKHS SURRENDERED

BENARES, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): High denomination notes worth Rs. 40 lakhs were surrendered by 500 persons at the local branch of the Imperial Bank till yesterday, the last date for surrendering such notes.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

NAIROBI, Jan. 26.—Meetings held in Legislative Council constituencies throughout Kenya have categorically rejected proposals for the future of East Africa announced by the British Government last month as a "basis for discussion." The proposals were described as a menace to white settlement not only in Kenya but in the whole of East Africa.—Reuter.

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We learn from the local press of the "exemplary conduct" of the vast crowd on Independence Day, of "huge processions" and of there being "no police and no incidents."

We are wondering whether we should connect all this together or leave it to you to do so.

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From Jawaharlal's Independence Day message: "Freedom is near" to us. Let us seize it with courage and daring...."

Sh—sh—sh. There is D.I.R.

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"Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, Deputy Leader of the Muslim League Party in the Central Assembly, had an interview with the Viceroy on Thursday."—A.P.I.

Was it before or after the Central Assembly Presidential election?

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Mr. Sorensen stated at Calcutta that he was hopeful that the differences between Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah were not wholly irreconcilable.

Has Mr. Jinnah made some sort of strictly unofficial offer to Mr. Sorensen that if the Mahatma begs to approach him, he, the Qaid-e-Azam, would be glad to receive him "at my house"?

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News has come from Karachi that Sir Ghulam Hidayatullah has been elected from the landholders' constituency.

We confidently claim to be speaking on behalf of the Muslim League and its High Command when we declare that we refuse to recognise his election from a joint electorate constituency.

Or are we mistaken? You see it may be that a mixed landlords' constituency is all right and only a popular constituency is objectionable. Perhaps it is too.

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Reuter reports from Capetown: "Native policies in Africa in the light of the United Nations Charter, were discussed at a meeting of the Institute of Race Relations here in which Sir Evelyn Baring, British High Commissioner, Mr. Albert Moulaert, Belgian Minister, M. Brenac, French Consul in Capetown, and Margaret Ballinger, Native representative in the Union House Assembly were present."

That great Internationalist and humanitarian, General Smuts was, however, neither present nor represented. He was presumably busy—otherwise.

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In view of the new Iranian Prime Minister's declared intention to negotiate with Russia direct, the Persian Azerbaijan issue is expected to be withdrawn from the Security Council agenda.

To withdraw or not to withdraw the Indonesian and Greek issues that's the question now.

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The new French Premier, M. Felix Gouin is reported to have told his Socialist Party that only an American loan of two billion, five hundred million dollars could save France from chaos.

And also enable her to pursue the noble programme of bringing protection, progress and prosperity to the Empire.

LONDON DEMONSTRATION AGAINST BR. POLICY IN INDIA & JAVA

Bombay Shootings Deplored

LONDON, Jan 27 (Reuter): With police squads posted at all strategic points, the India League open air demonstration against British policy in India and Indonesia was held in Tralalgar Square today before a crowd estimated to exceed 2,000 cables Reuter's correspondent.

TRI-COLOUR ROUND BASE OF NELSON COLUMN

Congress National Flags surrounded the base of Nelson's column and speakers used the plinth as their platform.

Mr. Lester Hutchinson, Member of Parliament for Rusholme, Manchester, opened the meeting by telling the crowd "you,, the representatives of the people of London have a chance to demonstrate that you are in sympathy with the people of Java Indo-China and India in their struggle for independence."

BRIGHT SARIS ADD COLOUR

Indian women in beautifully coloured 'Saris' added a splash of colour to the meeting the purpose of which was symbolised by a huge national savings poster on the column which read "reap the full harvest of victory.

COVE'S WARNING TO LABOUR GOVERNMENT

A warning to the Labour Government about repercussions that would follow the recent Bombay shootings was given by Welsh Member of Parliament, Mr. William Cove.

"I deplore these shootings", he said "and say to the Labour Government which I support", if you continue to pursue Imperialist policies, you will be compelled to use imperialist methods." I do not want to see the Labour Government pursuing such methods and they must either be freed by the Labour Government or suppressed by it. There is no alternative.

"It is time we faced the fact that we are not wanted in India. Put your backs into his job" he told the crowd which was steadily growing as the meeting progressed "tell your Members of Parliament to do their best to ensure freedom for peoples of the East."

IN YOUR INTERESTS

Mr. Rajani Palme Dutt, Indian Communist candidate who opposed the former Secretary of State for India, Mr. Leopold Amery at the general election in the Sparkbrook Constituency of Birmingham welcomed members of the three fighting services who attended the demonstration. "We are not here merely in the interests of the people of India, Indonesia and Indo-China" he said "but in your interests as well. We have enough on our plates with social security schemes and reconstruction plans to say nothing of demobilisation—without using our servicemen to interfere in struggles of other people for freedom."

INDIA MUST DECIDE HER OWN POLITICAL FUTURE

British M.P.'s Plea At Independence Day Meeting In London: Tricolour Hoisted In Indian Cities

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Celebrating the sixteenth anniversary of the Indian Independence Day at a dinner tonight, the members of the Committee of Indian Congressmen in England heard pleas to the Labour Government to assist India in her claims.

Member of Parliament, Mr. H. W. Butler said he agreed that full and free expression should be given to all people. He confessed, however, ignorance of the ills from which India suffered but urged that every one must learn everything possible about India's problems. Everyone should do all they could to further the interests of the Committee's cause. The people of India, he said, were the people most competent to deal with the future of India.

Mr. D. M. Sen, former President of the Cambridge University Majlis Mr. Doral Ross and Mr. B. P. Seal spoke.

JAWAHAR'S MESSAGE

The time has come for the final decision about India's freedom and the ending of Colonialism and Imperialism in Asia, said Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in an Independence Day message read at a mass meeting tonight, by Mr. V. K. Menon, General Secretary of the India League. "Delay now is fraught with grave consequences for England, India, Asia and the world," Pandit Nehru added.

An audience of about 500 loudly applauded the Pandit's message.

AT WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Dr. Krishnalal Shridharani, Indian author and lecturer declared here tonight: "1946 is destined to see a solution of the Indian problem one way or another", addressing an India Independence Day celebration meeting organised by the National Committee for India's freedom. "Around April, after the elections, India will either go the constitutional way or the revolutionary way", he added. "But the deadlock cannot endure any longer and a break-through is inevitable.

"INDEPENDENCE AT HAND"

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.)—In the presence of a large gathering the Congress President Maulana Azad, read the Independence Day Pledge yesterday afternoon on Ramlila Grounds. It was repeated by the audience.

In the course of his speech Maulana Azad said that India today has reached the stage when it could line up with other nations of the world. He said that independence was at hand and asked the audience not to commit any mistakes which would prove detrimental to the country's cause.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who unfurled the Congress Flag, asked the people to preserve their strength gained during the last 20 years.

MINOR CLASH

LAHORE, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.)—The Independence Day which was celebrated with unprecedented enthusiasm, was marred by a minor clash last night. It is reported that when a group of young men were passing through Chowkmati, a mixed locality of Hindus and Muslims inside the City, raising slogans somebody from a neighbouring house threw brickbats at them. This led to a clash resulting in injuries to four people. The police soon arrived on the spot and brought the situation under control. Strong police picket is posted and two persons are reported to have been taken into custody.

SORENSEN'S SPEECH

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.)—"Problems of the workers are similar in all countries. I wish to see India not only independent but rise to a position of glory and leadership in the world which is her due," observed Mr. Reginald Sorensen, member of the British Parliamentary Delegation, addressing a largely attended meeting of workers and the public held at Salkia, Howrah to observe the Independence Day. Mr. Sibnath Banerjee, presiding.

AT RAIPUR

RAIPUR, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—Our pledge of independence is different from that of Americans and Irishmen. We fight for our freedom by peaceful means, observed Pandit Ravishankar Shukla, speaking at a meeting this evening in observance of the Independence Day.

India Wants Her Foreign Possessions

BEZWADA, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.)—The Andhra Swarajya Party in the course of a memorandum to the Parliamentary Delegation after referring to the recent world-war and demanding due reparations for India, claims back the foreign possessions of India back to Indian sovereignty and Dominion over the British dependencies like Aden, Andamans, Ceylon, Singapore and Burma in the interests of both India and the Empire, and due representation for India in all the world Councils as well as a place in the Supreme Council.

DELEGATES' QUIET DAY

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): Members of the British Parliamentary Delegation had one of the quietest day of their Indian tour today. They again met H. E. the Governor of Bengal at Government House, this morning.

Among those whom the members will meet tomorrow are Dr. B. C. Roy, Mr. Kiran Sankar Roy, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, and the Committee of the European Association

Lord Chorley and Mr. Bottomly met Mr. M. N. Roy this afternoon.

SIKHS PRESENT PURSE TO DHILLON

Bombay Sikhs presented Sardar Gurbaksh Singh Dhillon a purse of Rs. 5,000 for the I.N.A Relief Fund, at a public meeting organised by the Sri Guru Singh Sabha, Bombay, Khalsa College, Bombay and other local Sikh bodies at the Khalsa College, Matunga, Friday 25th instant.

Sardar Gurbakhsh Singh Dhillon narrated the story of the I.N.A.

The audience responded generously to the appeal of Sardar Dhillon for money for the I.N.A., the ladies making presents of their valuable ornaments. Some of articles auctioned by Sardar Dhillon fetched fancy prices.

Mrs. Dhillon presided.

SHAH NAWAZ FOR DELHI

CALCUTTA, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—Maj.-General Shah Nawaz of the I.N.A. left today by air for Delhi after a four days' visit to Calcutta in connection with the Subhas Chandra Bose birthday celebrations.

RS. 31,175 FOR I.N.A. FUND

During Mr. Shah Nawaz's visit to Calcutta donations totalling Rs. 31,175 were given to him for the I.N.A. Relief Fund.

ABSCONDERS ACQUITTED

MIRAJ, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.): Three absconders arrested by the Miraj police in connection with the Malgaon Mail Bag Looting Case have been acquitted by the First Class Magistrate Miraj.

GIRLS INJURED IN BOMB EXPLOSION

CALCUTTA, Jan. 26 (U.P.I.)—Two girls of the South Calcutta students procession which was taken out this morning in connection with the Independence Day celebrations sustained injuries as a sequel to an explosion of a bomb. As the procession was passing the Kalighat tram terminus one youngman alleged to have come out of the Communist Party office hurled the bomb in the midst of the procession. The processionists chased and apprehended him. The incident caused considerable excitement in that locality. Eventually the Communist Party office was raided. Apprehending further disturbances as a sequel to the tension prevailing the Communist Party office is being guarded by the police.

MINOR INCIDENT AT LUDHIANA

LUDHIANA, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—Impressive scenes were witnessed here today in connection with the Independence Day celebrations. A minor incident took place near the Arya High School when some Muslims are reported to have attacked the students who were going in a procession shouting slogans. Three students sustained minor injuries.

BRITAIN AND HER ALIBIS

Living Threat To Peace, Says U.S. Congressman

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26 (U.P.A.): Congressman John F. Coffee (D. Wash) in a speech at a meeting sponsored by the National Committee for Indian Freedom in celebration of Independence Day charged that Britain is sowing the seeds of World War 3 by its policy of imperialism in India, Siam and Indonesia and said that United States must share responsibility in this threat to peace because it allows Britain to use lend-lease materials and fails to intervene on behalf of the "subjugated millions of Asia."

"The Indian fight for freedom concerns the whole world", he said. "The kind of world for which the United Nations fought cannot be built if Britain insists upon holding down India's 400,000,000 people and seeking to justify her hold by a variety of alibis."

He added that peace could neither be maintained "if Indonesians, fighting for ther freedom, are mowed down by British and Indian troops using American lend-lease weapons."

Coffee said British practices in Siam have placed that "proud and free people" under foreign economic and political domination.

VILE PARLE CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE DAY

Mr. Nuri's Address

(From our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Jan. 26.

Vile Parle celebrated the historic day of Independence to-day, by a huge Prabat Pheri through the principal thoroughfares of the Suburb in which an unprecidented assemblage of over one thousand participated. The early morning hours were electrified by the rousing slogans and inspiring songs.

All the three High Schools, the local boards schools and private study classes conducted by different associations remained closed for the day; whilst the workers of the Golden Tobacco Company, the Parle Products and other small factories struck work. The bazars and shops also observed a complete hartal. Mr. Nuri performed the flag salutations ceremony and while so doing exhorted the audience to keep the honour of flag always at heart. He asserted that ever since the tri-colour flag was adopted as the national flag of India, it had created a rich history of heroism and the years beginning from 1930 to 1945 in India and the three years of I. N. A. under the inspiring leadership of Deshpatriarh Bose bore an eloquent testimony of the peoples' determination to live and die under the Congress flag.

Nagpur Celebration Held In Pardy Village

NAGPUR, Jan. 26, (A. P. I.): Declining to ask the permission of the District authorities in view of the order Section 144 Cr. P. Code in force in the city limits, banning processions and meetings, about 500 Congressmen of Nagpur met at Pardi village, three miles away from Nagpur, where in a garden they held the flag salutation led by Mr. Poonamchand Ranka, President of the Nagpur P. C. C. this morning, in observance of Independence Day.

In Nagpur itself there was partial closure of business and 'hartal'. After two student's processions had been taken out with the permission of the local authorities, the Students Congress later met at Chitnavis Park and adopted a resolution strongly protesting against the police firing in Bombay, congratulating Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali on the removal of the ban on her movements and appreciating the action of the Chief Commissioner, Delhi, in cancelling the warrant against her.

Mr. R. S. Rulker addressing the students urged them to resolve to work unceasingly for the country's freedom for which Babu Subhash Bose strived all his life and Mahatma Gandhi was still struggling to see its fulfilment.

With Lorry-Loads Of Armed Police In Wake

LUCKNOW Jan. 26, (A. P. I.): A long procession comprising mostly students who abstained from attending their classes was the highlight of the Independence Day celebrations in Lucknow. The procession which paraded the main streets of the city was closely followed throughout its route by three lorry loads of armed police. The venue of the flag salutation in the morning was Aminuddaullah Park. The celebrations were rounded off with a public meeting in the evening when the independence pledge was read.

AT INDORE

(From Our Correspondent)

INDORE, Jan. 26.

Independence Day was celebrated here today. In the morning students took out prabhat pheries. In the evening a huge meeting was held where people took Independence Pledge.

ON THE BANKS OF THE INDUS

KARACHI, Jan. 26. (A.P.I.): Over 50,000 people read Independence Day pledge in Karachi this evening.

The feature of the celebrations was a mile-long procession headed by 250 cyclists followed by 150 camelmen and horsemen who were dressed in white uniforms and carried National Flags.

At Sukkur thousands of persons assembled on the banks of the Indus and read the pledge.

KRIPALANI'S ADDRESS

CAWNPORE, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—"Freedom struggle can take cognizance of only one party that is the party of those who sacrifice their lives and property in India's war of Independence against our common enemy. The other party, if any, must be of those who side with our captors," declared Acharya Kripalani, inaugurating the Satgur Memorial debate in Tilak Hall today.

DANGE'S CALL TO WORKERS

BOMBAY, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—A call to workers all over the country to renew the pledge of Independence which was taken seventeen years ago at the Lahore session of the Indian National Congress to continue the fight for freedom till British Rule in India was completely liquidated was made by Mr. S. A. Dange a labour leader addressing a rally of workers here this evening to celebrate the Independence Day." A few R.A.F. men were present at the rally in their uniform.

KOTLA MINISTERS QUIT EGYPTIAN GOVT.

CAIRO, January 26, (Reuter): Makram Ebeid Pasha, Egyptian Finance Minister and head of the "Kotla" Party (Wafdist political group of independent nationalists) today sent his resignation and that of three other Kotla Ministers in the four-party Coalition Cabinet to Prime Minister Nokrashy Pasha.

Nokrashy Pasha will see King Farouk to discuss the question. The King who is at present in Alexandria is expected in Cairo tomorrow.

CEYLON INDIAN LABOUR TO OBSERVE TOKEN HARTAL

COLOMBO, Jan 27 (A.P.I.): A one-day token strike of All-Indian workers in the island has been called by the Ceylon Indian National Congress for 12th February to draw attention to the Indian problem and press for equal franchise and citizenship rights for Indians.

Ceylon's entire economy revolves round rubber, tea and cocoanut. While nearly 40 per cent of the rubber plantations are in the hands of British owners and 30 per cent in the hands of the Sinhalese, nearly 75 per cent of the tea plantations are British owned.

A large percentage of the coconut plantations are now Sinhalese owned but all the three industries depend to a high degree on Indian labour.

Over two hundred delegates who ratified the decision to go on strike yesterday have organised meetings all over the island to make the strike a complete success. The Congress has appealed to other Indians in the island to join the 'hartal.'

LAST OF GUJERAT DETENUS RELEASED

KALOL, Jan. 25 (A.P.I.): The last detenu from Gujerat, Mr. Natvarlal Shah of Delol, has been released from jail. He was given a reception by villagers.

Sweets were distributed to school children.

COLLECTIONS MUST GO ON, SAYS MAHATMA

MADRAS, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.): Since Gandhiji is not visiting Mysore at present, a section of the press is reported to have pleaded that collections for a purse to be presented to Gandhiji should be suspended and collections so far made should be returned to the donors.

In this connection, Mr. Dasappa of the Mysore Congress saw Gandhiji. It is learnt that Gandhiji expressed his desire that collections should go on though he is unable to visit now.

KHAN A. G. KHAN ON PRICE FOR FREEDOM

PESHAWAR, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.): A huge procession was taken out today in observance of the Independence Day. A mammoth meeting was held.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan performed the flag-hoisting ceremony, while Khan Ali Gul Khan, President of the Frontier Provincial Congress, read out the Independence Pledge which was repeated by the audience. Thousands of Red Shirts in uniform saluted the flag.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan said "Flags of different nations remain flattering in the air through sacrifices only of those young men, who are always ready to serve their nation and country. Unless we make sacrifice and pay due price for freedom, India cannot become free. I warn those agents of the British Government who do not allow us to concentrate our attention on our only goal of freedom but divert it towards Pakistan and other things, but the spirit of freedom now runs in the veins of Pathan blood which form the force of a flood and whosoever puts obstructions in its way will be washed off."

AT BHUJ

(From Our Correspondent)

BHUJ, Jan. 27: January 26th was celebrated zealously. Schools and Bazars were kept closed. Flag salutation was performed and a meeting was held.

CONGRESS CONCEPTION OF WORLD ORDER

AHMEDABAD, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.): "The independence pledge is the essence or mirror of the non-violent world order which the Congress wants to establish" said Rao Saheb Patwardhan, the Maharashtrian Congress leader, reading the independence pledge at a large public meeting this evening. He said the Congress conception of the world order was purer, nobler and more radical than any conception in the world. It was against all exploitation and inequality, social, economic and cultural. Every young man should be the soldier of this world order. There was a new thirst for offering one's blood among young men. They cut their fine finger and smeared the forehead of the picture of Netaji. There should be, instead, a desire for laying down one's life in the service of the country.

Turned Out Of Class For 'Jai Hind'

PATNA, Jan. 25, (A. P. I.): Two students of the Patna Collegiate school have been turned out of the class for responding 'Jai Hind' to the roll call it is understood.

KARACHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): H. H. the Sultan of Muscat arrived yesterday in Karachi from Muscat on his way to Bombay. The Sultan is spending a few days in Karachi

LONDON, Jan 27 (Reuter): The Provincial Committee of the World Council of Churches will meet in Geneva from February 20 to 24, it is announced today.

LET BRITAIN IMPLEMENT WHITE PAPER

Only Way Out Of Palestine Embroglio, Says Zafrulla

LAHORE, Jan. 27 (A.P.A.): Implementation of the British White Paper issued in 1939, as a solution of the "difficult and complicated" question of Palestine, was suggested by Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan in an interview to the A. P. A. today.

Sir Mohammed Zafrullah, who is a judge of the Federal Court of India and formerly represented the Government of India at various International Conferences and at Chungking, recently visited middle eastern countries, including Palestine, where he met both Jewish and Arab leaders.

"The White Paper was in the nature of a final award given by His Majesty's Government and should be adhered to," he said.

Zafrullah Khan added: "If no decision is to have a finality, Palestine will continue to be the centre of trouble always. Once a decision is given, all those whom it affects must realise that everything should be done to make it effective."

Zafrullah Khan thought the attitude of the United States on this question "is somewhat incomprehensible. If it is only a question of humanity, the United States themselves can solve it by freely admitting Jewish immigrants into the States."

"If it is a question of religion", he added, "then, Arab claim to Palestine is much stronger than the Jewish and the Arabs are in addition in actual possession."

Speaking later at a public meeting in the Y.M.C.A. hall, Sir Mahommed Zafrullah Khan said that he was "wholly in sympathy with the Arabs and I intensely dread what is going to happen to them."

He said: "The Jew in Palestine is the top dog, and the Arabs are now within such measurable distance of their objective that they would not stop short of it. Today there are some 650,000 Jews in Palestine, and this does not include illegal immigrants. Even if all further immigration is stopped the economic independence of the Arabs is in serious danger.

"The Jews have illegal armies and they are determined to convert Palestine into an independent state, if necessary by force."

CHETTUR TO EXPLAIN ON TUESDAY

SINGAPORE, Jan. 26 (Reuter): Mr. S. K. Chettur, Government of India representative, on his arrival here to-day stated that he will hold a Press Conference on January 29 when he will clarify the position regarding a statement attributed to him in New Delhi recently as a result of which Indian labourers held a mass meeting and "Go Back Chettur" demonstrations.

SALES TAX FOR BARODA

BARODA, Jan. 24.

The Government of Baroda have enacted a Sales Tax Act which is to come into force from 1st February 1946. The Act extends to the whole of the Baroda State. By this Act the Sales Tax on all turn overs worth Rs. 10.000 and more has been levied. The Tax will be Rs. 96 per annum for turn over upto Rs. 15,000 and Rs. 144 upto Rs. 20,000 and 1 per cent of the turn over if it exceeds Rs. 20,000.

The sale of any cloth woven on hand looms and sold by person dealing exclusively in such cloth has been exempted from this tax, while a rebate of 50 per cent of the tax levied on sales of articles delivered outside the Baroda State has been provided for.

K. E. M. HOSPITAL AND SETH G. S. MEDICAL COLLEGE.

The Bombay Municipality has issued the Administration Report of K. E. M. Hospital and Seth G. S. Medical College for the year 1944-45, in which it is stated that during the year under report 510 beds of the Hospital were fully occupied, 64 nurses were trained out of whom 50 have passed the nursing examination. The Nurses' Welfare Fund inaugurated for promoting the welfare of the nursing staff continued to be of material help to them, the treatment of school children attending the Municipal primary schools was continued and 1,255 new children were treated in the different departments. The Poor Box Charity Fund from which relief is rendered to poor patients has received steady support from the public and the patients as well. At the College, 86 fresh admissions were made in June, 1944, and the number of undergraduate students on the College roll at the close of the year was 491, which included 114 lady students, and that of post-graduate and research students was 76.

MYSORE DISMISSED CHEAPLY

BANGALORE, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.): Mysore were all out in their first innings for 188 runs at tea today in their match against Hyderabad in South Zone Final of the Ranji Trophy Cricket Tournament (Bharatchand 4 for 30 and Durgaprasad 3 for 36).

At the close of play today Hyderabad had made 30 runs for four wickets in their first innings in the match against Mysore in the South Zone final of the Ranji Trophy Cricket Tournament.

Internationalisation Of Ruhr And Rhineland

BERLIN, Jan. 27 (A.P.A.): The French are determined to stand by their guns for the internationalisation of the Ruhr and Rhineland

That became increasingly clear today amid indications that the United States would announce its position on the issue before the peace conference.

1,000 B.O.R.'S ON STRIKE

CAWNPORE'S Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—About a thousand homesick B O R.'s attached to the Chakfri (Cawnpore) aerodrome and the (Ordinance Factory) went on strike today as a protest, it is understood, against their being kept in India even after the termination of the war.

It is also learned that the Officer Commanding has declared general holiday pending directions from Headquarters.

U. S. MEAT STRIKE TO END

Union Decision Sequel To Seizure Of Industry By Govt.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (A.P.A.): Nearly 200,000 striking workers in the meat-packing industry have been ordered to return to work on Monday as a result of Governmental seizure of the industry, a Union official who declined use of his name revealed here last night.

Simultaneously, the Detroit Chrysler Corporation and the C.I.O. Automobile workers announced "complete agreement" on wages providing for an increase of 18½ cents an hour.

This agreement was announced after a settlement of the Ford Union wage dispute had been reported on basis of an 18 cents per hour increase.

The agreements brought to an end two longstanding disputes in the automobile industry leaving only General Motors of the Big Three to come to terms with the automobile workers.

The American Federation of Labour asserted that its 55.000 meat workers were either back or ready to return to work.

TRANSPORT AND STEEL

In Chicago the nation's major Rail-Road Unions agreed to arbitrate wage demands of 125.000 workers or about 85 per cent of all rail employees.

Meanwhile, it was learned in Washington that unless the steel strike was terminated by January 28, an 800,000-ton quarterly allocation which the industry had promised the export trade will be cancelled.

NAGPUR GENERAL STRIKE TO BE CALLED OFF

NAGPUR, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): Textile workers' General Strike is to be called off from January 28. This announcement followed a meeting yesterday afternoon between the Labour Commissioner to the C. P. Government and Labour Officer to the Government on the one side and 17 representatives of different textile workers' unions in the Province who are also members of the Council of the C. P. Textile Workers' Federation on the other.

ASSURANCE GIVEN

Assurance was given by the Labour Commissioner to the labour representatives that he would see that there is no victimisation of the strikers at any of the textile centres namely, Nagpur and six other places in the province. As regards the question of absorbing 800 who had been discharged at Barhanpur by the mill management there, those would be absorbed as and when vacancies occur. Further mill management at different places were requested not to engage new men in place of such workers who, after the strike had started on January 16 had gone to villages but await their return to work.

Postmen To Give Strike Notice

NEW DELHI, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): The Executive Council of the All-India Postmen and Lower Grade Staff (including R. M. S. Union) has resolved to give a strike notice on February 9, and to go on strike from March 11, failing a satisfactory response from the authorities to their demands for revision of the scale of pay and the rules regarding pension and leave.

SAADULLA'S EXIT IMPENDING

Congress Coalition May Be In Saddle In Assam By Next Week

SHILLONG, Jan. 27 (U.P.I.): The "United Press of India" understands that Premier Saadulla may tender his resignation immediately after the full list of elected members of the new Assam Legislative Assembly is officially published in the Gazette next Wednesday.

Counting in all the contested constituencies have been finished yesterday and the results give fifty-eight seats to the Congress Party in a House of 108. The Jamiet-ul-ulema-Hind which contested the Muslim League has secured three members who would align themselves with the Congress Party inside the Assembly. The Muslim League strength is thirty-one and the Europeans number nine. There are seven members yet unattached to any party but it is safe to surmise that more than half this number will come over to the Congress Ministerial Coalition as soon as the New House meets. Among the Congress Party members elected are the representatives of all communities and interests and a full-fledged representative Congress Government therefore appears to be in sight.

Meanwhile, the Congress Party members are being summoned here on January 31 to elect the Leader and other office bearers. According to informed circles as soon as this election is over the Governor will invite the leader and commission him to form ministry of the latter is willing to do so. In any case a new Government is expected to be formed by the first week of February.

Three Congressmen And Three Leaguers Returned

DHUBRI, ASSAM, Jan. 26 (A.P.I.)—Khan Bahadur Abdul Mazid Zioosshams, Maulavi Abul Kasem and Maulavi Mokshed Ali, all Muslim League candidates have been returned to the Assembly defeating Jamiat-ul-Ulema candidates Maulana Derajuddin Sarker, Maulavi Jhagru Mohammud and Mr. Anwar Imam, whose Securities have been forfeited.

Raja Ajit Narayan Dev, Mr. Santosh Kumar Barua and Mr. Sarat Chandra Singha, all Congress candidates have been returned to the Assam Assembly defeating Mr. Sitanath Basumatori, Mr. Bhunidhar Rai and Madan Chandra Burman, Independent candidates, who have forfeited their security deposits.

BOMBAY ASSEMBLY AND M.H.S. CANDIDATES

POONA, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): The Maharashtra Hindu Sabha Parliamentary Board announced today five more names of its candidates who will contest the Bombay Provincial Assembly elections. The candidates are: M. A. Wagh—Poona District (Eastern Div.).

Mr. G. M. Nalawde—Poona City.

Mr. Modak—Satara Distfict (North div.).

Mr. Abbasaheb K. Patil—Ahmednagar (S. I.) and Mr. M. G. Shinde—Ratnagiri (South Division).

Expelled From Congress

PESHAWAR, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.)—Mr. Mohd. Shah and Lala Paira Khan, two Congressmen who are opposing the official Congress candidates in the elections to the N.W.F.P. Assembly from Nowshera North Muslim and D I. Khan, General Constituencies respectively, have been expelled from Congress by the President of the Provincial Congress Committee. Khan Ali Gul Khan

LONDON, Jan. 27 (Reuter): Paris Radio reports that after a meeting of the New French Cabinet which lasted for three hours this morning the Prime Minister M. Gouin told the Press "the meetings was occupied with two essential problems with which French are concerned —food and finance.

Police Raid For West End Lady "Bobbies"

LONDON, Jan. 27 (A.P.A.): London's helmeted and top-booted women police swooped on the capital's West-End last night and early yesterday and took into custody dozens of women, mostly "teen-aged" girls.

Acting as a raiding force for the first time, the lady "bobbies" stalked through night clubs, public houses and dance halls demanding identity cards from all women patrons.

Hundreds of girls were questioned in a search for female crooks, services deserters, detention home escapees and young runaways.

Similar round-ups aimed at men deserters, many of them believed to be taking part in London's current crime wave, were carried out recently by police. This night's raid was in part a comb-out of women accomplices who have been reported as giving them aid in jewel and clothing robberies.

Expelled By London, Muslim League

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The London District Muslim League at their annual meeting today confirmed the expulsion by the Working Committee of Mr. Mohammad Abbas Ali, one of the founder-members of the League, on the grounds that he had contravened the constitution laid down by Mr. Mohammad Ali Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League.

Mr. Ali Mohammad Khan, President of the Great Britain branch of the Muslim League presided.

A statement was made on the subject of his expulsion by Mr. Md. Abbas Ali at a press conference today

"Differences between the London District Muslim League and myself centre on the question of leadership", he said. "I have therefore continued to carry out Muslim League activities with the All-India Muslim League, London branch of which I am elected President. The branch has authorised me to write to Mr. Jinnah for clarification of my position. When we receive his reply, the Branch Committee will consider the future action."

Asked about the application made by the Federal Socialist Party for affiliation with the All-India Muslim League, London Branch, Mr. Abbas Ali said: "If they support Pakistan and the All-India Muslim League, they will have our co-operation."

Mr. Abdul Ghafur was elected President and Fazal Shah, senior Vice-President of the London District Muslim League.

The Independence Day was observed at Surat where the pledge was read at Alava Wadi, at Bezwada, Khandwa, Lucknow, Nagpur, Hyderabad, Madura, Lahore, Baroda, Cuttack and other centres.

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RENEWAL OF KEROSENE (H) OIL RATION CARDS

The renewal of kerosene oil ration cards and K(H) permits issued for non-lighting purposes in Bombay City, is being carried on at present at the shops of the kerosene dealers and will continue till January 31. After that date card-holders will have to go to the Ward Rationing Offices for getting their cards renewed.

K(H) card-holders are, therefore, requested to present their cards for renewal at the shop of their kerosene dealer as soon as possible irrespective of the day and week of purchase allotted to them.

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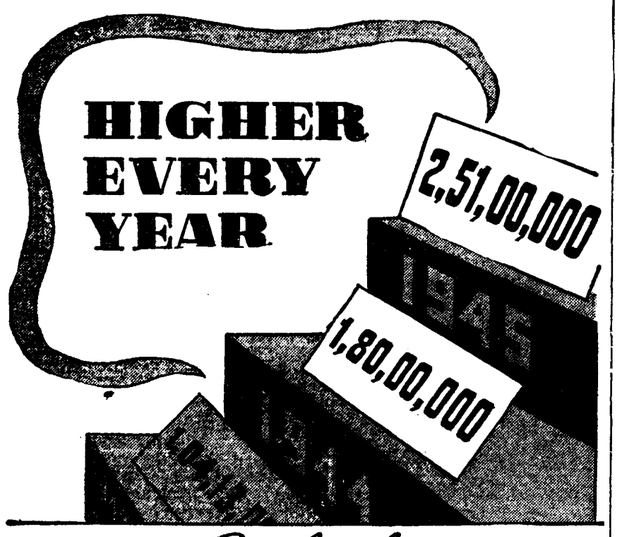

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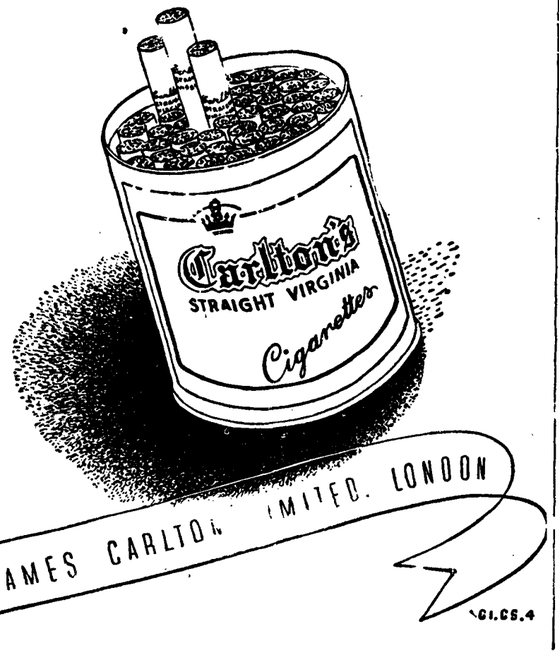

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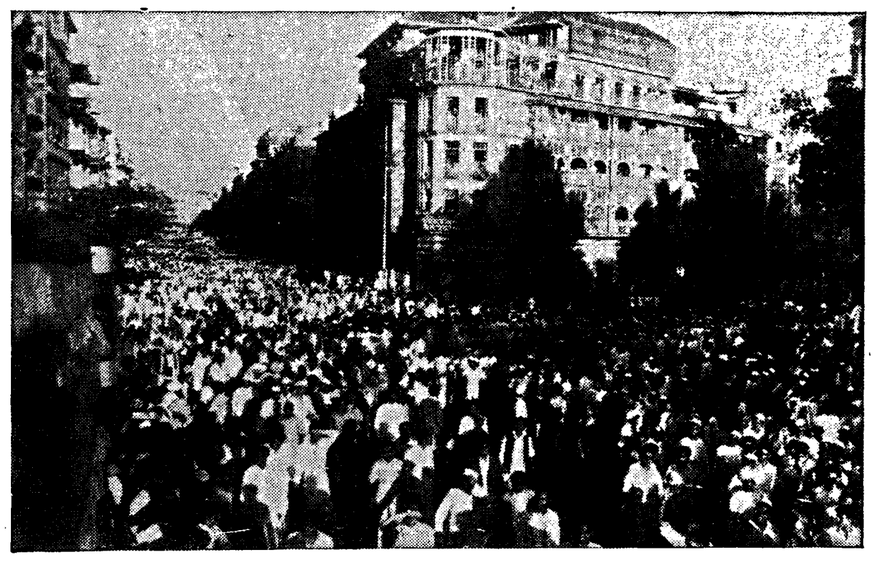

Procession reaching Opera House.

Another Double Century By Merchant

Sind Faces Innings Defeat: Rangnekar's Return To Form: Inayat Khan's Resolute Innings

BOMBAY, Sunday.

With only four wickets in hand Sind still requires 129 runs to avoid an innings defeat. Kisenchand, the scoring potential of the visitors' batting strength is still at the wickets with 33 to his credit and Daud Khan as his erstwhile partner.

Merchant, Rangnekar and later Inayat Khan dominated the game on Sunday, and between them were mainly responsible for the runs that accrued on the third day's play between Bombay and Sind in the Cricket Championship of India for the Ranji Trophy.

Merchant and Rangnekar who were unbeaten with 176 and 111 to their credit carried on the good work of scoring this morning. Both mixed caution with enterprise and played sound innings. Merchant went on to reach his 200 after being at the crease for 325 minutes and Rangnekar registered his 150 after he had been batting for 235 minutes.

In his effort to break the partnership Kisenchand tried as many as nine bowlers. But nothing daunted, the Bombay pair went on to pile run after run and had put together 325 runs for the fifth wicket.

When the lunch interval came Merchant was batting with 234 and Rangnekar wanted 25 to get his double century. The Bombay captain who was at the wickets for 425 runs had hit 19 fours and Rangnekar's stay of 313 minutes was graced by 16 hits to the ropes and one sixer, shortly after he crossed his third 50.

MERCHANT GIVES 2 CHANCES

Merchant's innings was marred by two chances, one at 8 off Lakda when Inayat dropped him and the other at 58 when Irani dropped him off Narottam.

AFTER LUNCH

With the very first ball after lunch Pursram broke the Rangnekar-Merchant partnership which added 325 runs for the fifth wicket the left-hander was bowled off his pads.

Merchant then declared Bombay's innings closed.

Sind again opened badly. Irani was bowled by Phadkar in the first over of the innings after a bye had been registered.

Narottam came next and started playing bright cricket. With the total at 18 Merchant brought Palvankar on relieving Phadkar, thus making his first change. Narottam hooked his first delivery to the ropes but in attempting to repeat the stroke was bowled.

Deepchand the next man made a wild swipe at Anwar after he had scored 5 missed, and was bowled.

Inayat Khan joined Pursram who ws playing very cautious cricket. The newcomer was more aggressive and punished everything that was loose. He hooked and drove with freedom and reached his individual fifty after he had been at the wickets for 56 minutes.

Merchant now brought Palvankar on from the pavilion end and Pursram skied one of his bumpers to give Uday Merchant at short fine leg an easy catch.

Kisenchand, the Sind Captain joined Inayat Khan and the two were togetner at tea time with two and 63 to their credit.

AFTER TEA

Inayat Khan continued to punish bumpers after lunch, but after collecting 12 runs off five consecutive deliveries from Palvankar broke his wicket after hooking the sixth when he was only 13 short of his century. His innings which included 10 fours was marred by one chance at 79, when Raiji failed to hold a fast hook off Palwankar.

Quamruddin joined his captain and found the figure 13 unlucky. He stepped out to a well-flighted ball from Raiji missed and was stumped, rather late by Hindlekar.

Daud Khan joined his captain and the pair got very well set. The batsmen were playing good cricket and taking sharp singles. They were together when stumps were drawn for the day.

Scroes:—

SIND (First Innings)	234
BOMBAY (First Innings)	
Ibrahim st. Irani b. Narottam	45
Hindlekar b Narottam	13
Vijay Merchant (not out) ..	234
Modi c Nani b Ramchand	18
Uday Merchant c Irani b Narotam	40
Rangnekar b Pursram	175
Extras	34
Total (for 5 wckts.) declared	560

Fall of wickets: 1/31, 2/104, 3/132, 4/235 and 5/560.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Pursram	21.1	1	85	1
Ramchand	9	1	39	1
Quamruddin	18	0	72	0
Narottam	39	4	130	3
Inayat Khan	28	7	59	0
Fazal Lakda	25	2	81	0
Rupchand	8	0	31	0
Deepchand	2	0	12	0
Kisenchand	3	0	17	0

SIND (Sscond Innings)

Pursram c Uday Merchant b Palvankar	18
Irani b Phadkar	0
Narottam b Palvankar	16
Deepchand b Anwar Hussain	5
Inavat Khan hit wicket, 6 Palvankar	87
Kisenchand batting	33
Quamruddin st. Hindlekar b Raiji	13
Daud Khan batting	16
Extras	9
Total (for 6 wckts.)	197

Fall of wickets: 1/1, 2/22, 3/29 4/97, 5/139, 6/163.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M	R.	W
Phadkar	6	1	15	1
Anwar Hussain	7	2	15	1
Palwankar	18	2	66	3
Tarapore	23	6	53	0
Raiji	13	0	39	1

SOUTH ZONE TEAM FOR CRICKET FESTIVAL

MADRAS, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.): The following players will represent the South Zone in the zonal cricket tournament to be held at Bombay in February:—Professor D. B. Deodhar (Maharashtra) (Captain), M. R. Rege (Maharashtra), E. Aibara (Hyderabad) P. E. Palia (Mysore) S. W. Sohoni (Maharashtra) A. G. Ram Singh (Madras), Asgar Ali (Hyderabad), D. Doctor (Maharashtra), S. G. Shinde (Maharashtra), C. S. Rangachari (Madras), Ghulam Ahmed (Hyderabad). Reserves: B. Frank (Mysore), Bharatchand Kanna (Hyderabad), and S. R. Mehta (Hyderabad).

HYDERABAD'S 176 IN FIRST KNOCK

BANGALORE, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.). Hyderabad were all out for 176 runs in their first innings in the match against Mysore in the South Zone final of the Ranji Trophy Cricket Tournament. Hyderabad's first innings which commenced yesterday afternoon concluded after it had been in progress for 220 minutes. 12 runs behind Mysore's first innings score (Bharatchand 51).

U. S. Senate Holds It Up

Poor Chances For Indian Immigration Bill

NEW YORK, Jan. 26 (U.P.A.): Sirdar J. J. Singh, President of the India League in America, returned today from Washington after what he described as three days' futile efforts to secure early action by the Senate regarding the Indian Immigration Bill.

Singh told the United Press of America that despite efforts made by the Department of State to force the Senate Sub-Committee to take action on the measure, Congressmen assured him that nothing could be accomplished until the end of the current filibuster by the Senate against the Fair Employment Practice Committee and a general cooling off of Congressional tempers.

It will be recalled that the House of Representatives passed the measure last October.

POSSIBILITY OF DEFEAT?

There are excellent reasons for holding little hope that the United States Senate will act speedily on the Indian Immigration Bill and for remembering that there is still a possibility that the measure might be defeated despite the strong support given it by the White House and the Department of State, writes Reuter's correspondent.

Congratulations Sought By Wire

Mr. A. P. Udayabhanu, Deputy Leader of the State Congress Party in the Travancore Legislature writes:

Even before the 'prospectus' of the new reforms in Travancore is out, from British India come 'out-bursts of praise,' wave after wave. Though the opinion of the people within the State is not consulted it seems that congratulations of British Indian Liberals have been sought by wire.

The lavish praise from British Indian leaders on the most illusory reforms show their attitude towards the people of the States. They want to break the bars of the vast prison house which is British India, but the people of the States should be content with a window or sky-light for their dismal 'police-lock-ups.'

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(INDIAN MILITARY ACADEMY, DEHRA DUN)

Applications are now invited for the Second Course for training for the Regular Officer cadre of the Indian Army.

1. A candidate must be a British subject of Indian domicile or descent or a subject of an Indian State.

2. A candidate for the Second Course, which starts in August 1946, must have passed his 18th birthday but not have attained his 21st on 1st July 1946.

3. The minimum educational standards acceptable are Matriculation, Senior Cambridge, School Leaving Certificate or the Indian Army Special Certificate. A high measure of proficiency in English is essential.

4. All candidates will have to pass a Services Selection Board and a Medical Board.

5. The Second Course will be of eighteen months' duration. It will be conducted at the Indian Military Academy, Dehra Dun.

APPLICATIONS

Applications forms can be obtained from any of the following:

Headquarters of a Military Brigade,
Brigade Area or Sub Area.
Recruiting Office.
University or College.

These forms, on completion, will be forwarded to the nearest Military Brigade, Brigade Area or Sub-Area Headquarters. On receipt of the completed form, the military commander concerned will call up suitable candidates for interview.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

As no applications which are received after the 15th March, 1946, can be considered by the Director of Selection of Personnel, Meerut, candidates must apply in sufficient time to enable the military commander concerned to call them for interview, and to communicate the result to the Director of Selection of Personnel before that date.

NO. 651

Persia Refuses To Withdraw Dispute Before U.N.O.

Lebanon's Plea In Legal Committee Succeeds

LONDON, Jan. 26, (Reuter): Contrary to expectations, the Persian Delegation in a long statement issued tonight did not withdraw its request that the Security Council of the United Nations should consider Persia's dispute with Russia.

This request was to have been considered by the Security Council when it meets on Monday.

CHARGE AGAINST SOVIET

The delegation repeated its accusation of interference by the Soviet military and civil authorities in the internal affairs of Persia adding: "A statement of facts showing this interference and containing the necessary proofs will be submitted to the Security Council."

The statement which takes the form of a letter to the President of the Security Council is a reply to the Soviet Delegation's announcement yesterday offering 'categorical opposition' to any consideration of Persia's case by the Council. In this announcement the head of the Soviet Delegation, M. Andrei Vyshinsky, rejected the Persian appeal as groundless and insisted on direct negotiations between Persia and Russia as the only means of settling the dispute.

PROOF OF INTERFERENCE

After declaring that proof of Soviet interference will be submitted to the Security Council, the Persian statement continues: 'The Iranian Government has in fact brought many instances of such interference to the notice of the Soviet Government in a number of notes which the Soviet Government has either completely ignored or failed to deal adequately with the complaint.

'While it is true that the Soviet Government in its note of November 26, 1945, contrary to the true facts, categorically denied the allegation of interference contained in the note of the Iranian Government of November 17, yet it remains a fact that in their note of November 26, 1945, the Soviet Government admitted that they had not been willing to allow passage of Iranian reinforcements to suppress the revolt in Azerbaijan on clearly unjustifiable grounds that, according to the Soviet Government, arrival of Iranian troops on their own territory caused disturbance and bloodshed.

'Later, however, in the Soviet note to the United States Government dated Nov. 29, 1945, they tried to find a new excuse for their action alleging that it was a matter of aspiration with respect to the assurances of democratic rights of the Azerbaijan population of Northern Iran which is seeking national autonomy within the limits of the Iranian State.'

'The above reasons given by the Soviet Union are so utterly without foundation that the Iranian delegation do not feel called upon to advance its refutation.

Breach Of Treaty

'Refusal by the Soviet Government to allow passage of Iranian security forces to part of Iranian territory is clearly a breach of Tri-Partite Treaty of Alliance of 1942 and Declaration of Teheran by which Allied powers undertook to respect territorial integrity, sovereignty and political independence of Iran.

'It is to be noted that both the United States Government and the British Government made representations to the Soviet Government in a note on November 22, 1945, and a letter of November 27, respectively, in which both these powers stated that Iran had full freedom without interference from Allied civil or military authorities to move its forces through Iran whenever necessary to maintain order in its own territory. The United States Government expressed confidence that instructions to this effect would be issued by the Soviet Government to the Soviet "Commander in Iran, while the British Government stated that they were disturbed he Iranian forces had been stopped by the Soviet authorities and felt that action of the Soviet military authorities in halting such forces on their way to Azerbaijan must be due to some misunderstanding of the position.

"QUITE THE OPPOSITE"

'The Iranian note of December 1, 1945, to which the Soviet delegation refers is not correctly altered or translated from Persian in the Soviet delegation's letter. The sense has been so altered that it is exactly the opposite from what was said in the note. It is not true that the Iranian Government, as alleged in the Soviet letter to the Security Council, expressed its satisfaction in connection with the fact.....that interference of Soviet officials.....is not in accordance with facts' the Iranian Government intimated that it understood from the Soviet note of November 26, that such incidents would not be repeated and it was on this understanding that the Iranian Government expressed their satisfaction.'

The note also states that another passage quoted from the Persian note of December 1, 1945, is not correctly set out and continues: 'The Iranian Government in its anxiety to avoid any dispute with the Soviet Government were willing, if these incidents did not occur again, to avoid any discussion as to the past but nowhere in the Iranian note of December 1 is there any agreement by the Iranian Government that interferences by the Soviet Government in the internal affairs of Iran had not taken place.'

'As regards the statement in para 2 of the Soviet letter that the Iranian Government negotiated this question with the Soviet Government, the Iranian delegation repeats that its Government's attempts to negotiate with the Soviet Government were unsuccessful.'

Referring to the refusal by the Soviet authorities to let Iranian troops into Azerbaijan, the note says: 'The Soviet note of November 26 says that passage has been refused because the Soviet Government did not consider the presence of Iranian reinforcements advisable. In the Iranian note of December 1, the request was repeated that all obstacles be removed in the way of a detachment of Iranian troops which had been halted since November 20 by Soviet forces. Such request has never been granted.

No Question Of Talks With Moscow

'As the Iranian Government clearly has a right, both under International Law and under the Tri-Partite Agrnemeet of Alliance and under the Declaration of Teheran, to send these forces to Azerbaijan, there can be no question of any negotiation with the Soviet Government other than the Soviet agreement that forces should be allowed to proceed.

"The Iranian Government has not tried to use the presence of foreign troops in order to represent this fact as a breach of Iranian sovereignty but has maintained that their continued presence without reason, together with the conduct of these troops in unwarranted interference with the internal affairs of Iran is the direct cause of the Iranian Government's inability to restore law and order in Azerbaijan.'

After repeating its argument that there is no more reason for keeping foreign troops in Persia and that they should therefore leave Persian territory immediately, the note continues: 'The Iranian Government is able to deal effectively with any situation that arises if it is allowed by the Soviet authorities to send its troops and officials to the disaffected areas.

ALL SOVIET PROPAGANDA

'The Iranian delegation also denies that there is any propaganda hostile to the Soviet Union in Iran or that it has been encouraged by Iranian Government. Even in spite of violent propaganda by the Moscow Press and radio against the Iranian Government, there have been so similar polemics by the Iranian Press. It is true that Soviet authorities in Iran have sometimes disingenously characterised opposition to interferences of the Soviet authorities in Iranian internal affairs anti-Soviet activity. Attack is the best form of defence.'

The statement then says the Soviet Government was invited to furnish details of alleged anti-Soviet propaganda but failed to do so.

It concludes: 'In the circumstances, the Iranian Delegation maintain that conditions envisaged by Article 2b of the Charter are present and that the Security Council should in accordance with the terms of the Charter investigate this dispute between the Iranian Government and the Soviet Government.'

SECURITY COUNCIL TO DECIDE

Though this statement makes it plain that Persia intends to maintain its appeal to the Security Council, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, the prospect is now complicated by the announcement to-day by the new Persian Prime Minister, M. Ghawam Sultaneh, that he wishes at the same time, to negotiate direct with the Soviet Government.

There are at least two good reasons for doubting whether the Persians will find it possible to pursue both courses at once. The first, the Charter certainly provides for solution of a dispute by both methods but it does not specifically provide for their simultaneous use. Indeed Article 33 says: 'The parties to any dispute shall first of all seek solution by negotiation.'

It will presumably be for the Security Council itself to decide whether to take up the Persian question while, or if, direct negotiations are proceeding.

Secondly, it is more than doubtful whether the Soviet Government would consider allowing both methods to be pursued at the same time.

On behalf of the Soviet Government, M. Vyshinsky has already voiced his categorical opposition to the discussion of the Persian question by the Security Council. He proposed resort to direct negotiations as an alternative, but not in addition to appeal to the U.N.O.

Whether the Soviet Union's wish for direct negotiations will be maintained, if the Persian appeal still lies before the Security Council seems far from certain.

POSTPONEMENT LIKELY

In these circumstances, observers to-night tended to conclude that the Security Council would seek to postpone consideration of the Persian issue until direct contact between the Persian and Soviet Governments had been attempted.

LEBANON WINS

Although the meeting of the UNO Assembly today to consider a number of Committee reports was largely overshadowed by dominating problems confronting the Security Council, some vigorous speeches in support of freedom of speech and voting in the nomination of officers of the UNO were heard when the report of the Legal Committee on Provisional Rules of Procedure was discussed.

The Committee had recommended the acceptance of a Lebanese proposal that officers of the UNO should be elected by secret ballot but without being nominated in advance in the open Assembly—the procedure on the first day of the election of Dr. Henri Spaak as President.

The proposal was opposed by the Soviet delegate, M. Andrei Gromyko, who maintained that every delegation had a right to nominate its candidates and to speak on their behalf.

On the other hand the Lebanese delegate, M. Camille Chamoun, argued that certain smaller States showed a tendency to gravitate towards the Great Powers, and real freedom of choice would only be achieved when the vote was secret.

After a three-hour discussion the Assembly adopted the Legal Committee's recommendation and the Lebanese delegation who were supported by the Arab countries and Britain in the voting won a victory which may have important results in future proceedings.

INDONESIANS' PLEA TO U. N. O. CONFERENCE

BOMBAY, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.)—The Indonesian Students' Committee and the Indonesian Youths' Association in India have forwarded a lengthy memorandum to the delegates of the Sovereign nations of the United Nations Organisation Conference now being held in London emphasising that a Free Indonesia, Free Asia, and free world could alone ensure permanent and lasting peace to the world.

IRAN'S NEW PREMIER

TEHERAN, Jan. 26 (Reuter): M. Ghawam Sultaneh was elected new Prime Minister of Persia by the Majlis (Parliament) to-day.

After the fall of Reza Palevi M. Sultaneh became Prime Minister in 1942 and resigned in the following February.

M. Ghawam speaks French and is a member of an old family of aristocrats. He owns huge and wealthy properties in north Persia and is considered by his friends as a "strong man."

DOUBLE TASK

The new Premier Ghawam Sultaneh in an exclusive interview with Reuter after his election said: "I consider the former Persian Government's action to the U.N.O. is a 'fait accompli.' The Iran delegation's request having reached the present stage I will not withdraw Persia's case from the U.N.O. On the other hand I intend to open also direct negotiations with the Soviet Government which is compatible with the provisions of the United Nations Charter.

"In conformity with my decision to open direct negotiations with the Soviet Government I will instruct the head of the Persian delegation in London to continue to follow up Persian affairs before the U.N.O. but at the same time approach the Soviet Ambassador, M. Vyshinski and establish direct contact via London with Moscow.

"I hope to be in a position to enjoy very soon the best of relations with the Big Three, especially our neighbours and with all other members of the U.N.O."

BENGAL GOVT. DOES IT AT LAST

CALCUTTA, Jan. 27 (A.P.I.)—The Government of Bengal have placed a memorial tablet at No. 3 Gourmohan Mukherjee Street, Calcutta, where Swami Vivekananda was born.

The following inscription appears on the tablet: In this house was born on 12th January, 1863, Swami Vivekananda, a beloved disciple of Sri Ramakrishna Paramahansa and a Saint and a Philosopher of modern India who consecrated his life to the services of humanity."

NEW FRENCH CABINET

PARIS: Jan. 26 (Reuter): M. Felix Gouin has now completed his Cabinet. He himself is to be not only head of the Government but Minister of National Defence just as General Charles de Gaulle was.

The new Government consists of 20 Ministers and four Under-Secretaries of State as compared with 22 Ministers in General de Gaulle's Cabinet. It contains six Communists, seven Socialists, six M.R.P. and one non-party man.

Following is the official list of the new Cabinet: Vice-President: M. Maurice Thorez (Communist). Minister of State: Francisque Gay (M.R.P.) Foreign Minister: M. Georges Bidault (M.R.P). Minister of Finance and National Economy: M. Andre Philip. Minister of Armies M. Edmond Michelt (M.R.P.). Minister of Armaments: M. Charles Tillon (Communist). Interior: M. Andre le Troquer (Socialist). Industrial Production: Marcel Paul (Communist). Labour: M. Ambroise Croizat (Communist). Agriculture: M. Pierre Tanguy-Pregent (Socialist). Justice: M. Pierre Teitgen (M.R.P.). Colonies: Marius Moutet (Socialist). Education: M. Marcel Naegelen (Socialist). Transport and Public Works: Jules Moch (Socialist). Health and Population: M. Robert Preigent (M.R.P.). Reconstruction: Francois Billoux (Communist). Food: M. Henri Longchambon (Non-Party). Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones: M. Jean Letourneau (M.R.P.). Information (Secretary of State attached to M. Goin's office): M. Gaston Defferre (Socialist). Ex-Combatants: M. Laurent Casanova (Communist).

Secretaries of State are:

Labour: M. Marius Patey (Communist). National Economy: Albert Gazier (Socialist). Industrial Production (Coal): M. Auguste Le Coeur (Communist). Two more Under-Secretaries of State will be appointed later.

HITLER DIED A COWARD

By Lionel Shapiro

OBERURSEL, Jan. 6.—Army psychiatrists and intelligence officers are examining Hitler's last private and political testaments seized by American and British counter-intelligence agents and are cross checkinfi them with voluminous data obtained earlier this month from the flying woman Hanna Reitsch. They are thus preparing a definitive reconstructions of Hitler's last hours. When the report is completed it will show bevond doubt that, despite his resolution to leave a tradition of fortitude behind him. Hitler died without courage.

All available authentic records prove that the Fuehrer could not take it and when the time came for him to die he was mentally hysterical and physically faltering—the most broken of his entourage of imminent suicides which included several women and children. These facts when they are officially collated may have an immense influence on future German ideologies.

The first suspicion that Hitler died a coward came from Reitsch's testimony. When a heavy barrage bracketed the Chancellery on the night of April 26/27, Reitsch described Goebbels as striding about making grandiose statements for posterity, Frau Goebbels as "very brave" and Goebbels' six children aged between three and twelve singing songs. Braun was studiously fulfilling her function as a stylish "showpiece" and Bormann was at a desk writing records. Only Hitler's manner and physical condition became lower and lower and on the 28th he showed signs of hysterical insanity by pacing the bunker and loudly directing Berlin's defence with armies everyone else knew no longer existed. On the 29th when Himmler's surrender offer became known, Reitsch described Hitler as a "madman." His colour rose to a heated red and his face was virtually unrecognizable.

This was the day Hitler presumably gave up hope because documents seized from Bormann's adjutant confirm that he married Eva Braun and directed the cremation of their bodies and dictated his last personal and political testaments—all on the 29th. The test of the political statement shows irrational thinking indicative of hysteria but reveals an effort to resign himself to an inevitable fate.

His courage, however, left him on his marriage night. Hanna Reitsch testified that at 1-30 a.m. on the 30th he appeared "chalk white" in General Hitler von Greim's room and muttered that Wenck's relieving army was [illegible] shelling the Russians in the Potsdammer Platz—a statement so palpably ridiculous that it revealed he was living in a dream world created by his own intense fear and irrational hope.

Fourteen hours later Doenitz and Keitel received word that Hitler was dead. According to von Krosigk, Doenitz's "foreign minister" it was Bormann who signed the message announcing the Fuehrer's death. Two witnesses who saw the burning of Hitler's and Braun's bodies corroborate each other in the fact that Hitler's body was covered while Braun's was uncovered. In view of the latest revelations on Hitler's jittery state there is reason to believe that the Fuehrer's nerve failed him at the last moment and that he did not die by his own hand.—Copyright by North American Newspaper Alliance.

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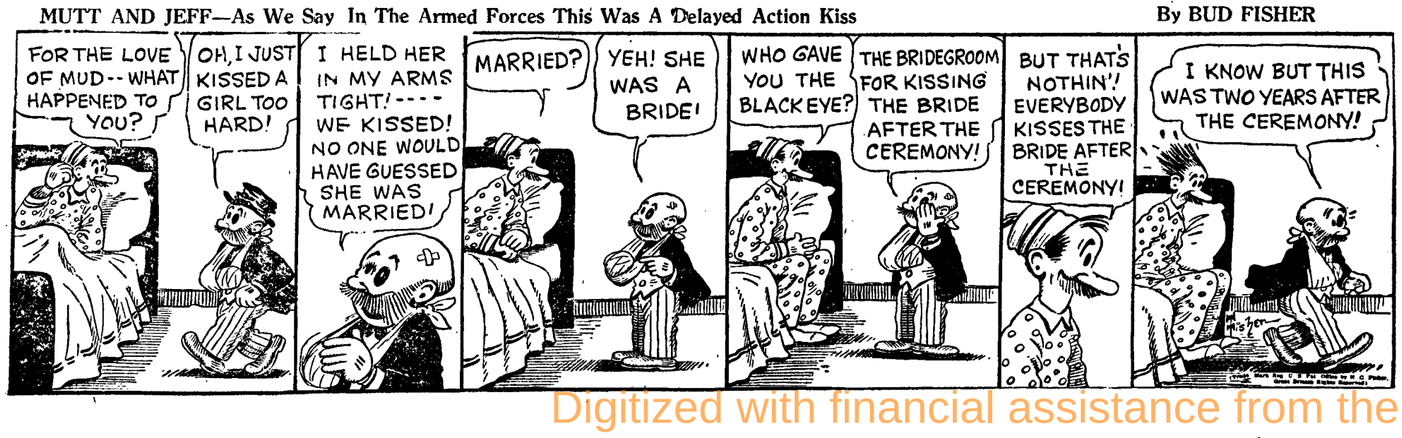
MUTT AND JEFF—As We Say In The Armed Forces This Was A Delayed Action Kiss By BUD FISHER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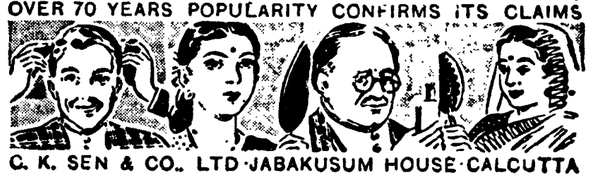
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PUBLIC NOTICES

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(6414)

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2. Detailed lists showing approximate quantities and sites together with tender forms and conditions can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer, B. B. & C. I. Rly., Churchgate, during office hours, on payment of Rupee ONE only.

3. Tenders should reach the office of the Executive Engineer, at Churchgate, not later than 14 hours on 12-2-1946. (6412)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

THE CHIEF ENGINEER, G. I. P. Railway, Bombay, invites sealed tenders upto 12-00 hours on 19-2-1946 for earthwork in formation of certain diversion works and masonry work in the Thull Ghauts between Kasara and Igatpuri for the purpose of REMOVAL OF INFRINGEMENTS. Forms and conditions of tender can be had on payment of Rs. 2/- by money order. Drawings can be perused on any working day in the office of the Chief Engineer. The approximate estimated cost of the work is Rs. 2 lakhs. 6406

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TENDERS will be received by the Controller of Stores, Bombay Port Trust, Mazagon, Bombay No 10, upto 1 p.m. (S.T.) on Monday, the 18th February, 1946, for

(a) UNLOADING AND STACKING COAL.
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6289

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7.	Cordage heavy P. D.	24655 "	-do-
8.	Silk Cordage light.	29936 "	Mysore Govt. Fy., Mysore.

2. The goods will be sold subject to the conditions of the contract laid down in form Con. 117 which can be seen at the offices of Regional Commissioner|Deputy Regional Commissioner (Disposals) at Calcutta, Bombay, Madras, Cawnpore, Karachi and Lahore and Directorate-General of Disposals, New Delhi.

3. Samples and specifications can be seen at any of the offices mentioned in para 2 above. The stores can also be inspected at site on permits to be issued by any of the above offices, on request.

4. Offers in tenderer's own form in a sealed cover superscribed "Tender No. DGD|SR-2551|TEX' should be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for Rs. 5,000|- deposited as earnest money in the Imperial or Reserve Bank of India or a Government Treasury in favour of Director of Disposals, New Delhi.

5. Tenders should reach Director of Disposals, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi by 4 p. m. on 8th February 1946.

6. Offers should remain open for acceptance upto 26th February, 1946.

7. Delivery of the stores will be ex-site and removal should be completed within 20 days from the date of issue of sale letter.

8. Tenderers are at liberty to quote for the entire quantity or a portion thereof.

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NOTICE

NOTICE' IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at "Construction House", Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 22nd February, 1946, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1945 and to declare Dividends on Preference, Second Preference and Third Preference Shares.
2. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation and who are eligible for re-election.
3. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED as from SATURDAY, the 16th February, 1946, to THURSDAY, the 28th February, 1946, (both days inclusive).

Notice is also hereby given pursuant to Section 144 (6) of the Indian Companies Act that the following notice has been received by the Company from a shareholder:—

"Pursuant to Section 144 (6) of the Indian Companies Act, I hereby give you notice that I intend to move the following resolution at the Annual General Meeting of the Company:

"Resolved that Messrs. N. M. Raiji & Co., be appointed Auditors on a remuneration of Rs. 750/- to carry out the final audit of the Company jointly with Messrs. K. S. Aiyar & Co., for the current financial year."

By Order of the Board,
B. D. SARDESAI,
Secretary.

Construction House,
Ballard Estate.
Bombay 19th January, 1946.

NOTE:—The Dividends, if sanctioned, will be paid at the Company's Registered Office at 'Construction House', Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay, on and from Wednesday, the 20th March, 1946, to those shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on Thursday, the 28th February, 1946. 6438

G.I.P. RAILWAY

SPECIAL NOTICE

WITH EFFECT from 1st February, 1946, 29 Down and 30 Up Ehusaval-Shegaon Shuttle trains will be extended to and from Akola and run to the following timings:

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22-18	"	Varangaon	Dep. 5-30
22-50	"	Bodwad	" 5-00
23-10	"	Khamkhed	" 4-43
23-21	"	Malkapur	" 4-31
23-40	"	Biswa Bridge	" 4-13
23-58	"	Nandura	" 3-55
0-15	"	Jalamb Jn.	" 3-37
0-33	"	Shegaon	" 3-12
0-52	"	Nagjhari	" 3-00
1-06	"	Paras	" 2-46
1-17	"	Gaigaon	" 2-35
1-35	Arr.	Akola	" 2-20

(6433)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

NOTICE

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G. I. P. Rly., Bombay, invites tenders in connection with Construction of Latrines and Urinals in Shop No. 8 at Matunga upto 3 P.M. on 8-2-46 The form of Tender, Schedule and conditions of contract can be obtained from his Office on payment of Rs. 2/- per set. Plans for the work will be supplied in an additional payment of Rs. 3/- per set. These sums will not be refunded. 6430

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G. I. P. RAILWAY

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		48 UP H. M.	4 UP H. M.
Poona	Dep.	7-30	7-50
Bombay V. T.	Arr.	10-30	11-25

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G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

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NOTICE

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Dated this 26th day of January, 1946.

CAMA & JAYAKAR,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(6435)

PUBLIC NOTICES

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NOTICE

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of Cotton Wastes (Soft & Hard) from the India United Mills Ltd., No. 2 & 3 Mills and will be accepted upto 4 p. m. (S. T.) on Wednesday the 30th instant at their registered Office, E. D. Sassoon Building, Dougall Road. Ballard Estate, Bombay.

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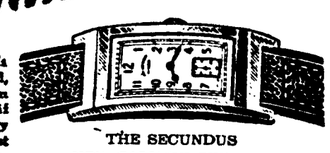

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